S COOPER Adj't and Inspector General.

Soldiers of the Army of the

In the long and bloody war in which your country is engaged, you have achieved many noble triumphs. You have won glorious victories over vastly more numerous hosts.—You have cheerfully borne privations and toil to which you were unused. You have readily submitted to restraints upon your individhis duty to the State as a soldier. To all these you have laidly added another mount the noblest of human conquests—a victory over yourselves.

As the time drew near when you who first entered the service might well have been expected to claim relief from your arduous labors, you have heeded only the call of your suffering country. Again you come to tender your service for the public defence-a triumph worthy of you and of the cause to which you are devoted.

I would in vain attempt adequately to express the emotions with which I received the estimonials of confidence and regard which you have recently addressed to me. To some of these first received, senarate acknowledgemusits were returned. But it is now appacent that a like generous enthusiasm pervades the whole army, and that the only exception to such magnationous tender will be of those who, having originally entered for the war, eaugot display agew their zeal in the public service. It is, therefore deemed appropriate, and, it is loped, will be equally acceptable, to make a general acknowledgement, instead of successive special responses. Would that it were possible to render my thanks to you in person, and in the name of our common country, as well as in my own, while pressing the hand of each war-worn vereran, to recognize his title to our love, gratitude and admiration.

Soldiers! by your will for you and the people are but one, I have been placed in a poation which debars me from sharing your dangers, your soflerings and your privations, in the field. With pride and affection my heart has accompanied you in every march; with solicitude it has sought to minister to your every want; with exultation it has marked your every berose achievement. Yet, never in the todsome abarch, nor in the weay watch, aur in the Assperate assault, have you rendered a service so decisive in results as in this lost display of the highest qualities. ot devotion and self-sacrifice which can adorn the character of the warrior-patriot.

Already the pulse of the whole people beats in unison with yours. Already they compare your spontaneous and maninous offer of your lives for the defenes of your country with the inling and rejuctant service of the mercenaries who are purchased by the encmy at the price of higher bounties than have nitherio bees known in war. Animated by dence and more resolute bearing. Even the murmurs of the weak and timid, who shrink from the trials which make stronger and firmer your noble natures, are shamed into silence by the spectacle which you present. Your brave battle-cry will rong loud and clear through the land of the enemy, as well as rown; will silence the vain-glorious boastange of their corrampt partisans and their o-sary to the working of the road, provided pensioned press; and will do justice to the number so exempt shall not exceed one ealumny by which they seek to persuade a deluded people that you are ready to purchase dishonorable safety by degrading sub-HILLSHIPS.

Soldiers! the coming spring campaign will open under auspices calculated to sustain your hopes. Your resolution needed nothing to fortify at. With ranks replenished under the influence of your example, and by the and of your representatives, who give earnest c. their purpose to add, by legislation, largely to your strength, you may welcome the invader with a confidence justified by the meinory of past victories. On the other hand, debt, taxation, repetition or heavy drafts dissemsons, occasioned by the strife for power, by the pursuit of the sports of office, by the therst for the plimder of the public treasury; and above all, the consciousness of a baid cause, usest tell with teachil force upon the ever-strained energies of the elienty. His compages in 1864 need, from the exhaustion · his resources, both in men and money, be increas formulable than those of the last two years, when minimaired means were used with results which are suggested by the montion of the glorious names of Shiloh, and Per-1) Sville, and Monfreesboro', and Chickaman-La and the Cinckuttonitty; and Manassas. and Kredericksburg and Chancellorsville.

Soldiers! assured success awaits as in our rady struggie for liverty and independence, and for the preservation of all that renders te desirable to honorable men. When that s coss shall be reached, to you, your countiv's hope and pride, under Divine Providegree, will it be due. The fruits of that success will not be reaped by you alone, but your children and your children's children, a long generations to come, will empy blessongs derived home you that will preserve your Senators in their respective Congresses at artiflery six pounders Colonel Speer's moment ever living in their hearts.

Catzen-detenders of the houses, the liber ters and the alters of the Confederacy! - That the God whom we all humbly worship may. -meld you with his Fatherly care, and preserve you for safe return to the peaceful enjoyment of our friends and the association of those you most love, is the earnest prayer of your Commander-in-Chief.

JEFFERSON DAVIS.

WITHDRAWN .- A letter from J. A. Hawkins, Esq., dated Feb. 13th-and addressed to us, states that he was put in nom-ination for the Senate by his friends without solicitation or consent on his part, and that whilst he is duly thankful to them for their partiality, and the honor they propose to confer on him, he respectfully declines being a candidate, and desires his withdrawal to be made public.

to state that the following are the principal alterations, in the bill of the Senate (hereto-fore published by us) proposed by the House; Instead of conscribing for service in the field all men capable of bearing arms between the ages of 18 and 55, as the Senate proposed the House reduces the maximum age to for-

ed to read as follows:

All duties as Provost and Hospital Guards and Clerks, or as clerks, guards, assistants, employees or laborers in the Commissary's and Quartermaster's Departments, in the Or-dinance and Medical Bureau, and in the exeoution of the carolineut acts, and all similar duties, shall hereafter be performed by persons who have been disabled from active service in the field, and who, by a Board of Surgeons, shall have been reported fit for those duties, and when these shall have been exhausted, the President shall call upon the Governors of States for the quotas of persons required to make up the number needed for the performance of the above men-tioned duties, which quotas shall be taken from persons not liable to military service in the army of the Confederate States.

After exempting, as the Senate proposed, the President, and members of Congress and the State Legislatures, the House amendment adds: "and the officers, Executive and Judicial, of the Confederate and State goverument, except such State officers as the several States may have declared by law, to

be liable to military duty."

In addition to the Superintendents of Lunatio asylums, the House proposes to exempt. the physicians and teachers.

As to newspapers, the Senate bill exempts, one editor and such journeymen printers as he or the proprietor may certify on oath may be indespensable for conducting the publica tion. The House amendment restricts the the exemption by requiring that the editor shall be a practical printer !!!

The clause of the Senate bill exempting physicians is amended by the House by excluding dentists from the benefit of the pro-

The provision exempting teachers is al-tered to read as follows: "All presidents and theachers of colleges, academies, schools and Theological seminaries, who have been re-gularly engaged as such for two years previous to the passage of the Act, Provided that none shall receive the benefit of this exemption, the number of whose pupils is not twenty or more.

An additional provision of the House is that for necessary subsistence there shall be excannt one white man, the head of a family of eight or more white persons, who are dependent on his labor for support."

The Secretary of War is authorized, in addition, to except or detail such persons as he is satisfied ought to be exempted on account of public necessity, and to insure the production of provisions for the army and for ponproducers, and such farmers and overseers as he is convenced would be more useful in agregulture than in the military service : Provided that they piedge themselves to sell to the Government all their surplus at the prices fixed by the Commissioners of appraisement,

The House also proposes to exempt the President, Treasurer, Auditor and Superintendents, and such officers and employees of railroads, engaged in military transportation, as the President may certify on eath are neto each noise of road used in military transportation.

The House also proposes to exempt the white officers, not exceeding three, of any fire company, composed of negroes, organized on or before the 1st January, 1864.

Peace Proposition in Congress.

We learn from the Richmond Ecaminer that the following preample and resolutions were introduced in the House of Representatives on the 4th instant, by Mr. Wright of

"Whereas the President of the United States, in a late public communication, did declare that no propositions for peace, bad been made to that Government by the Contesterate States, when, in truth, such propositions were prevented from being made by the President of the United States, in that he tefused to hear, or even to receive, two commissioners, appointed to treat expressly of the preservation of amicable relations between the two governments:

" Nevertheless, that the Confederate States may stand justified in the sight of the conservative men of the North of all parties, and that the world may know which of the two governments it is that orges on a war noperparalleled for the fierceness of the conflict, and intensifying into a sectional hatred unsurpassed in the annals of mankind. There-

Resolved. That the Confederate States invite the United States, through their government at Washington, to meet them by rep- of the Yankee Cavalry, which consists of six regentatives equal to their representives and on the - day of - next, to con-

" First: Whether they cannot agree upon the recognition of the Confederate Status of America.

" Swond: In the event of such recognition, whether they cannot agree upon the formation of a new government, tounded upon the equality and sovereignty of the States; but if this cannot be done, to consider

"Resolved. In the event of the passage of these resolutions, the President be requested to communicate the same to the government at Washington, such manner as he shall deem most in accordance with the usages of nations; and, in the event of their acceptance by that government, he do issue his procla-mation of election of delegates, under such regulations as he may deem expedient."

Characters, Feb. 10.—The snemy who advanced on John's Bland, were driven back on Toesday evening, and our pickets have resumed their former positions. We took a

few prisoners. Eleven shots were fired at the city to-day.

CHARLESTON, Feb. 11.—The enemy kept up an occasional fire on the city, throwing about one shell every hour.

Nothing further from John's Island. Prisoners taken represent their forces at three brigades and twenty guns. They carried off their dead and wounded with them on their

An official dispatch from Gen. Fipegan from Lake city, this evening, reports the enemy's advance has been checked. The news from there is decidedly cheering.

From Wilmington.

WILMINGTON, Feb. 9 .- A fire occurred last night in which one thousand and twenty-five bales of cotton was consumed. It was partially insured. It belonged to the Chicora Consolidated J. S. Company and J. R. Morrison. The loss is \$700,000.

The steamer Sperukis is ashore under the guns of Fort Caswell. The cargo will be principally saved, but the vessel will probably

Seventy three Yankee prisoners, captured by Gen. Martin last week at Shepardsville, below Newbern, arrived here to-day.

Escaped.

RICHMOND, Feb. 10.-One hundred and nine officers, including Col. Straight, escaped from the Libby prison last night, through a tunnel sixty feet long, opening into a vacant lot on the opposite side of the street.

No blame is attached to the sentinels. Only one of the officers have been recaptured.

RICHMOND, Feb. 11.—Eighteen officers. who escaped from the Libby preson, have been re-captured, the rest still being at large. None above the rank of Captain have been re-enptured.

Confederate Bonds.

RICHMOND, Feb. 10,-At an auction sale today, 8 per cent. Confederate bonds brought from 110 a 120 and interest; soven per cent. 106 and 14; bonds of the fifteen million loan coupon 173; ditto registered 160; coton loan bonds 175, and flat.

Confederate Congress.

RICHMOND, Feb. 11.—The House passed the bill to pay for the borses killed and disabled in service. It also provides that any horse lost or damaged in service, since Feb ruary 1, 1861, without the fault of the owner, shall be paid for according to appraised value at the time of the loss. It also passed the bill to provide for the impressment of meat for the supply of the army, from any supplies in the country, with the express condition that a just compensation be made. It provules that the Secretary of War may direct that the impressments be made whenever the President shall declare it necessary.

No persons having a supply shall be remeed below the half of the usual quantity for the sup ort of their family and depend- heard expure us to them. ants for one year. Notice shall be given to the owner of meat needed, declaring the quantity received, and the existing necessity and the price offered, which notice shall be a condition to any precedent of any impressment. When the owner or impressing officer cannot agree upon the quantity taken, it shall be determined, and a just compensation as certained by local appraisers, whose award shall be conclusive evidence on both points.

The evidence of a large number of companies and regiments, from all the States are re-enlisting for the war daily, was presented in Cangress, and appropriate resolutions and thanks, adopted.

THE WAR NEWS.

An officer last night from Orange Court House reports that the army was entirely quiet, and contradicted the report that it had been in line of battle since Sunday.

Passengers by the York River railroad brought the report last night that a considerable Yankee force was landing from transports at Yorktown. There is a supposition that a large naval force has been detached from Charleston, South Carolina, for opierasion on the Peninsula; recent Northern papers having stated that there was an important movement in the enemy's fleet off Charleston.

A captured Yankes, belonging to the One Hundred and Thirty-math New York Regiment, gives a distinct account of the enemy's force at Williamsburg, There are three regiments in the advance; the One Hundred and Thirty-ninth New York; the One Huudred and Eighteenth New York, and the One Hundred and Forty-eigth New York. There are also two "coloured" regiments: the Sixth Maryland and Fifteenth Pennsylvania. Colonel Underdonk is in command regiments. The enemy has sixteen pieces of command. The total Yankee force at Wilharnsburg is said to be tea thousand mgn. --

DIED:

In Rowan county, on February 5th, of scar-let fever, GEORGE BADGER, child of Robert J. M. and Adeline Barber, aged 4 years.

I month and 14 days. "Third. Whether they cannot agree upon In Rowan county, on Feb. 8th. of scarlet fe-treaties, offensive, defensive and commercial vet. MARGARET A., widow of William L. Barber, and youngest daughter of the late Turper Harrison, aged 25 years.

In Rowan county, on February 8th, JOHN CARTER, aged 53 years. In Stanly county, Feb. (st, Mrs. ELIZA-BETH MONROE, wife of Mr. E. M. Mou-

roe, aged 52 years and six mouths. She was a member of the Baptist church at Kendall's. Standard and Biblical Recorder requested to

C. S. AMERICA, WAS DEFARTMENT. Rinhmond, February 1, 1864

EXCHANGE NOTICE NO. VIII

1. All prisoners heretofore held by the Uni-ted States authorities, whether officers, sol-diers or civilians, received at City Point, before the 1st of January, 1864, are hereby declared exchanged
2. All officers and men of the Vicksburg on

LAR officers and men of the Vicksburg cap-ture, who reported for duty at Enterprise, Mis-sissippi, at any time prior to the 14th of No-vember, 1863, and whose pames were forward-ed to me by Major Gen, John H. Forney, are bereby declared exchanged.

3. All officers and men of the Vicksburg cap-

thre, belonging to the first Tennessee heavy arcifer; why reported for duty at Manetta. Georgia, and whose names were forwarded to me by Col. A. Jackson, are declared exchang-

By order: [Signed] S Cooren, Ad't and

Quartermaster's Department, RALEIGH, February 6, 1864.

HIS Department has on hand a small lot of Cotton Cards for distribution among the families of soldiers. The special courts of each county are requested to appoint an agent in each county to receive and distribute them. The price will be five dollars, (\$5,) and necessitous wives and mothers of soldiers will have preference. More are expected daily and will be sent out as fast as received.

H. A. DOWD, A. Q. M., N. C. A Feb b, 1864.

WANTED.

A GOOD CABINET-MAKER- a good hand will receive good wages. Apply to T. L. Schonborg, at his Cabinet Shop, corner of Main and Water Sts., Saliebury, N. C. February 15, 1564. 3wpd38

WANTED-Some 1 and 1 inch Poplar Plank, for which the highest market price will be paid .- Also Walnut Plank and 3 isch Walnut Scautling. Apply to T. L. SCHOUBORG,

Sulisbury, N. C. 3wpd38 February 15, 1864.

EXPRESS NOTICE.

By ORDER of the Superintendent of the Southern Express Company no packages except money packages, will be forwarded without pre-payment. All money packages must be sealed with sealing wax.

J. O. WHITE, Agent.

Salisbury, Feb. 15, 1864.

Davie County Court, December Term, 1863.

A. M. Booe, Ad'mr of John F. Seegraves, dec. against Watt Seegraves & Jumes Seegraves & other

PETITION TO SELL LAND. IN this case it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that Watt Seegraves and James, Seegraves, are non-residents of this State : It s therefore ordered that publication be made in the Carolina Watchman for six weeks, notifying the said Watt Seegraves and James See graves to be and appear at the next Court of Pleus and Querter Sessions of Davie county, on the 2nd Monday in March 1864, to plead, answer or demar to the petition, or it will be

Witness, Eph. Guither, Clerk of our said Court at office, the 2nd Monday in December,

EPH. GAITHER, C. C. C. Price adv \$17 50.

SALT! SALT!!

JUST RECEIVED ON CONSIGNMENT and for sale, 180 Sacks Virginia Salt. MICHAEL BROWN. Salisbary, Feb 15, 1864.

CALICOES! CALICOES!! JUST RECEIVED and for sale 100 pieces

Finglish Calicoes. MICHAEL BROWN. Salisbury, Feb. 15, 1864.

Ranaway .-- \$50 Reward.

Ranaway from the subscriber. Saturday night the 6th inst., CHARLES, a bired negro servent, from the Eastern part of the State. He is black, about 54 feet high, pleasant countenunce when addressed, but tather a down hank. He took two spits of clothes with him. B- longs to Wm. Row, or Ros. I will give the above reward for his requivery with evidence to ceaviet any one of harboring him. Or \$25 tor the confinement of the boy so that I get hem again. DANIEL HOFFMAN. Feb. 15. 1864—th38

HE highest prices paid for the Alloys of Gold, Silver and Platina, or for Zinc, at the Dental Laboratory, Salisbury, by W. F. BASON.

February, 8th, 1864.

Read Quarters 76th Reg. N. C. M. SALISBURY, FEB. I, 1864. COMMANDING Officers of this Regiment

will on the 16th day of February, instant. exceptions whatever, and return said mi's to the Adjustit immediately thereafter By order of JNO. A BRADNHAW.

Col. Commondant. B. F. CROSLAND, Ad'i. 3w36

GOODS, GOODS.

HE subsember offers for sale the following articles.

150 sacks salt, 100 boxes fine chewing Tobacco, 360 packs Confederate Snuff, i case brogan shoes 175 yards Linsey Jenos,

I case English Prints, 1000 Envelopes, 65 pair cotton socks, Needles and worst'd bro

MICHAEL BROWN salisbury, Feb. 1st, 1864. 1m36

at the Court-Rouse in Enlishup, on the lith, 15th, 17 and 18th days of February, for the purpose of takin your returns and collecting your taxes; after whis longer indufgrace will not be given. W. R. FRALKY, Collector.

Pol. lat. '68. Ses J. A. HAWKINS, Assesse

CONSCRIPT OFFICE, Ruleigh, Jan. 27th, 1864.

THE following circular from Bureau of Conscription is published for the information of all concerned.

COL. MALLETT, By order Comd't Cone for N . C. E. J. HARDIN, Adi't.

SEUBEAU OF CONSCRIPTION. RICHMOND, Jun. 25th, 1864.

No. 4. TO Commandants of Conscripts.—The attention of Commandants, is especially directed to General Orders No. 7, A. & I. G. O current series, herein set forth for their in-

Adj't. and Insp. General's Office, a RICHMOND, Va., Jan. 25, 1864.

I. Paragraph IV General Orders No. 3 curent series is hereby revoked.

11. Enrolling Officers will proceed as rapid-ly as practicable in the enrollment of all persons made liable to military service. Previous to enfoliment as conscripts, all such persons will be allowed to volunteer, provided-1st. The Company selected was in service-

on the 16th of April, 1862. 2nd. The Company selected is at the time of volunteering, below the minimum prescrib-

ed by regulations.

3rd. No person made liable to service under

this order will be permitted to join, or will be assigned to any company which has more than sixty-four privates on the roll, until all the companies is service from the State of which the volunteer or conscript is a resident, shall have the minimum number prescribed by reg-

4th. Upon the Company bring selected, the volunteer will receive from the Enrolling Officer a certificate to the effect that he has so volunteered; and no volunteer will be received. in any company except on such certificate.

III. Persons who fail to make selection, ac-

cording to the provisions of this order, and at the time of enlistment, will be assigned according to existing regulations. IV. All officers in command of companies adthorized under this order to receive con-

wripts or volunteers will forthwith send to the Commandant of Conscripts of the State, accurate certified rolls of their companies; and without such roll, showing that they do not exceed sixty-four privates, there will not be assigned any conscript or volunteer.

By Command of the Secretary of War.

s. COOPER, Adj't and Insp. General. Early and vigorous action will be enjoined on the Eurolling Officers, each one of whom-should be furnished with a copy of the order without delay. To insure the publicity of the order, there should be several insertions in the

newspapers of general circulation.

II Persons presenting applications for special exemption, with any show of merit will not be molested until action is taken by this Bareau. These cases will be investigated in accordance with Circular No. 3. Current Series,

with the least delay practicable.

By order of COL, JNO, S. PRESTON,

C. B. DUFFIELD, (Signed) A. A. G. Stolen Horse-\$50 Reward.

TOLEN from the subscriber's encampment. six miles East of Beatie's Ford, Wednesday night the 29th January, a light grey herse, about 15 hands high, beavy built, aged about 9 or 10 years. He is a good steady farm horse, working well to the wagon, plough, &c, and also to a buggy. I will pay the above reward, for the recovery of the horse, and a liberal price for the thief. Address me at Salisbury.

DAVID BARRINGER Catawba Journal copy three weeks and send bill to the advertiser.

North Carolina Money for Produce.

AM prepared to pay N. C. Treasury Notes for all kind of Provisions for the use of soldiecs families. Bring me anything that will do J. S. McCUBBINS, Commissioner.

Salisbury, Feb. 8, 1864. 6w37 FOUND .- One bill of money, North of the Western North Carolina Railroad Bridge, in this town, which the owner can have by identifying the same and paying for this socioe

PENMANSHIP.

2:37 .

Enquire at this office.

February 8, 1864.

THE undersigned will open a school for teaching PENMANSHUP at the male academy, near the Raglish grave yard, to-morrow evening at 7 o'clock. If there are othan those who have already enrolled, wishing to essons they are requested to meet at the above-and place. Bring lights, pea ink and paper. take lossons, they are requested itme and place. Bring lights, pe Terms, \$10 on entrance. abeb. 8, 1864. 2387

TRUST SALE.

By virtue of a deed of trust to me executed by the late Horace L. Roburds, I will sell at the White Sulphur Spaings, in Catawba couneared all white males, between the agen of 18 19, N. Com the 17th day of February next, a a 1 45 years found in the bounds of the Regi- large amount of Household and Kitchen Furninaut, whether residents or not, without uses turn, consisting of 41 Bedeteads and bedding, exceptions whatever, and course said said to Tables. Chairs, Curtains, Mirrore, Carpets, Knives and Forks, Plates, Cups and Saucers, Tumblers and Goblets, Custors, Wasters, Five Burcove, I Piano, I Billiard Table, 2 Clocks, Two Bells, I Gong, all kinds of Farming Utenensils, Wagons and Ploughs and 4 Negroes. and a large amount of other property used in an extensive Hotel. Also one tract of Land, known as the Bolch Tract, joining said Springs truct. Terms oash.

M. L. McCORKLE, Trustee Janury 21, 1864.

Also, at the same time and place, will be rented, that well known watering place, the White Sulpher Springs and Plantation, together with all the furniture not included in said trust; or the household and kitchen furniture will be sold, together with several mules and horses, and house servants, if not desired by the renters.

Mrs. E. J. ROBA RDS. Jan. 21, 1864. 3t:37