Miscellaneous.

SERGEANT BATES.

An enthusiastic welcome—Cordial reception by the President.—Radical "Loyalty" to the Old Flag.—The Sergeant Refused Admission to the Capitol—His His Flag Unfurled at the Washington Monument—Speeches, Incidents, &c.

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On Monday evening he reached Alexandria, was escorted to the Mansion House and received the hearty congratulations not only of the citizens of that city, but numbers who went from Washington to anticipate the termination of his journey.

He left Alexandria yesterday morning at nine o'clock, and arrived at the Long Bridge a few minutes after ten o'clock.

A large crowd had collected to welcome him, and as he advanced, the first person to extend the welcome hand was Senator Doolittle, of Wisconsin. A committee of the Conservative Army and Navy Union and a committee from the Western States Anti-Radical Club also welcomed him, and he remained for a few moments in conversation with these gentlemen.

He continued his route across the bridge, upon reaching the end of which he was taken in charge of by a committee from the Conservative Army and Navy Union, who presented him with one of the silk badges of the association, and escorted him to the residence of Colonel Faunce, a short distance from the bridge, that gentleman having tendered the hospitalities of his establishment for the occasion. Here the Sergeant held a reception for an hour and a half, during which he was visited by a number of ladies and gentlemen, and received their congratulations.

Sergeant Bates, on his arrival, was dressed in a suit of blue-black velvet—jacket and pants—of close fit, and wore a pink silk sash, presented to him by the ladies of Montgomery.—From his left side was suspended a horn cup, which was presented to him by the ladies of Vicksburg, and from which he has taken all the water he has drank on the journey. At the reception he wore these mementoes, and held with his left hand the flag which he has carried with him, with the staff planted on the floor.

The personal appearance of the Sergeant is prepossessing. He is about thirty years of age, with well defined features, a frank expression in his countenance, and unassuming in his manners, and resembles Colonel Mosby. At the conclusion of the reception he remained in company with several gentlemen, and spoke in the most flattering terms of the treatment he received along the route of his travels. He said he had never rested once from fatigue, but was often halted by men anxious to express to him their regard. He expressed the whole in these words, "Kindness towards me, and respect for the flag." At the residence of Mr. Faunce he was handsomely entertained, and remained with him until noon.

By one o'clock a vast concourse of persons had assembled at the intersection of Fourteenth street and Maryland avenue, in front of the public house in which the Sergeant was resting. Shortly after one o'clock a committee of members of the Conservative army and Navy Union and a committee of citizens of Washington made their appearance, in company with Healds's Washington City Brass Band in full uniform.

The committees waited upon Sergeant Bates and extended to him a hearty welcome to the capitol of the nation, and informed the Sergeant that they were in waiting to conduct him first to the Executive Mansion, and thence to the Capitol, where it was expected to unfurl the flag which he has carried on his march from the highest balcony of the dome of the edifice.

After the performance of a lively air by the band, Sergeant Bates made his appearance at the door, and was greeted with a hearty round of cheers from the large crowd, prominent among whom were to be noticed a great many of the soldiers of the several regiments in and around Washington, who seemed highly pleased to welcome their late comrade in arms.

The line of march was then commenced, and the procession, headed by the band, moved up Fourteenth street to Pennsylvania avenue.

The Sergeant was the central figure of the line, and with his flag loudly cheered as he passed along Fourteenth street. He was flanked on either side by Officers Hughes and Whitmore, who were detailed by order of Major Richards to guard the patriotic pedestrian from "outside pressure."

Passing the corner of Fourteenth street and Pennsylvania avenue, the crowd had become so great that some difficulty was experienced in forcing back the great number of men, women, and children, who, despite the heavy rain which was falling, seemed anxious to catch a glimpse of the Sergeant.

The balcony and steps of the Treasury Department, as well as the windows of the offices and banks opposite, were thronged with people, who cheered lustily as the procession passed by.

Arrived at the Executive Mansion and passing in front of the porch, Sergeant Bates, halted and was met by President Johnson, who, grasping his hand, shook it cordially, and remarked: "All I want to do is simply to welcome you and your flag." He then invited Mr. Bates into the Mansion and escorted him to the East Room, where, order having been obtained, the President said:

I merely desire to sincerely and cordially welcome you and the flag with which you have traveled so many miles. I have no address or speech to make, but wish to testify my gratification at seeing you in Washington.

The President then requested that the company present should be favored with some music, when the band, led by Professor Heald, played, in fine style, "The Star Spangled Banner."

When the music ceased, the President held a few moments' private conversation with the Sergeant, and then bowed his adieu to the assembled audience.

The Sergeant was then introduced to Mrs. Patterson and presented him with a magnificent bouquet. This over, Mr. Bates had to undergo a short ordeal of hand-shaking, but finally succeeded in getting out of the Mansion, and the procession being reformed, passed out, and, via Pennsylvania avenue and Fifteenth street proceeded to the Metropolitan Hotel, where they halted, and the Sergeant having been escorted to the front balcony of the house, made his appearance before the assembled crowd, and having been introduced, was heartily cheered.

Hon. Charles A Eldridge of Wisconsin, was then introduced, as having been chosen to welcome the Sergeant from his travels. Mr. Eldridge spoke as follows:

Speech of Hon C. A. Eldridge.

Fellow-citizens: It is owing to the fact that I am a citizen of Wisconsin that I am allowed on this occasion a brief moment to present again to you the guest of the citizens of Washington a worthy son, of the State of Wisconsin, Sergeant Bates. [Applause.] He finding a popular error existing in the State of Wisconsin, like that perhaps, in every Northern State, that the people of the Southern States, whom our conquering arms subdued, were hostile to the flag and Government of the Republic, undertook to carry that flag from Vicksburg to Washington, on foot and unattended, for the purpose of planting it on the dome of the capitol, and showing the actual feeling towards it. He has demonstrated to the people of the country, and the world that no such hostility exists, and that the people of the South submit to the flag of the Union in good faith, and are determined to maintain their allegiance to it, as they expect the people of the North to maintain theirs. [Applause.]

But I will not detain you in this pelting storm. I understand Sergeant Bates will now proceed to the dome of the Capitol with the flag which he has borne in honor and triumph from Vicksburg to Washington. He has received nothing but kindness and respect during all his long journey. The people everywhere have honored and encouraged him, because of the emblem which he bore.

But, my friends, I cannot forget the fact that it is just seven years this day since the flag of the Republic was lowered in humility and sorrow from the battlements of Sumter. The flag that Major Anderson was then forced to take down now floats proudly over every foot of our land, respected and honored by all. And this young man, who, without money and alone, and on foot, has carried it for more than fourteen hundred miles, will now plant it in glory and triumph upon the dome of the National Capitol. [Applause.

At the conclusion of the address of Mr. Eldridge, General Wm. Mungen, of Ohio, was introduced, who said:

Speech of Hon. Mr. Mungen.

Fellow-Citizens: I have been called upon to say a few words, having served at Vicksburg, from Chickasaw Bayou to the surrender of the city. Starting from Vicksburg, the Gibraltar of America, Sergeant Bates has traveled through what was called a hostile country, at a single cent of expense, meeting everywhere with kindness and hospitality, and receiving pledges of fealty to the Union and the flag which they sustain to-day. We went into the struggle to maintain the flag. He was in the conflict, acting nobly and gallantly as a soldier. It was not my pleasure to be acquainted with him personally, but I think I know his face. The treatment which he received ought to satisfy our Radical gentlemen that the people of the South are more loyal than the man who, in an address at the Smithsonian Institution, delivered a few years ago, and during the war, boasted that he had labored for nineteen years to dissolve the Union.

A bill is pending in Congress to remove the political disabilities of General Longstreet and others. I am in favor of including in this number Wendell Phillips, for I think he has been voting ill-gally all the time. I believe him this day as great a traitor as Jefferson Davis, or any other man. [Laughter and applause.] And if he is to vote a ticket in the future, I want him to vote according to law. [Applause.]

These addresses concluded, three hearty cheers were given for Sergeant Bates, and three more for the flag.

The Sergeant then proceeded to the avenue, and the procession was reformed and proceeded to the east front of the Capitol, for the purpose of unfurling the flag from the dome. At the door of the rotunda the party was halted by the chief of the Capitol police, who stated that he had orders not to allow any demonstration in the building. He further said that the police had orders not to admit Sergeant Bates with his flag, but he could pass in without it.

One of the committee of citizens produced an order from General Meigher, allowing the Sergeant access to the dome to unfurl his flag. The policeman, however, refused to allow them entrance unless the permit was endorsed by the Sergeant-at-arms of the Senate and House of Representatives. By the personal application of Hon. Charles Eldridge, of Wisconsin, the endorsement of Mr. Brown, Sergeant-at-arms of the Senate, was obtained, but as Mr. Ordway, of the House of Representatives, could not be found, it was decided to escort the Sergeant to the Washington Monument, and there unfurl the flag to the breeze. The crowd, therefore, proceeded thither, and in a few moments the door to this unfinished structure was opened by the patriotic janitor, without inquiring whether Sergeant-at-arms Brown and Ordway had endorsed any official paper or permit to enter the building, and the flag which the Sergeant has so successfully carried was displayed at this place.

At the monument Hon E O Perrin, of New York, was introduced and addressed the audience.

Speech of Hon. E. O. Perrin.

Sergeant Bates: As unexpectedly to myself as to you, the reception committee have this moment requested me to welcome you and your flag, after having been driven from the portals of the nation's Capitol.

After such a repulse from such a source, no place could be more appropriate than here, at the base of this unfinished monument, erected to commemorate the virtues of George Washington, the Father of his Country.

Could the spirit of that great patriot look down upon this melancholy picture to-day, he might deliver another farewell address to all the hopes and prospects of a distracted country.

Look but a moment on the picture.—That silken banner, wrought by fair hands upon the banks of the Mississippi, and placed in your keeping by the citizens of Vicksburg on the 20th of last January, has been borne by you, mid sunshine and rain, by night and by day, for nearly three weary months, through the States of Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia, and everywhere throughout these once rebellious States it has been hailed with joy and gladness—every city, village and town joining in the glad shout—old men and young men, soldiers and citizens, matrons and maidens, all, all welcoming it as the harbinger of better days. Even at Montgomery and Richmond, the boasted capitals of the late confederacy, you were escorted to the dome of each Capitol, and the stripes and stars kissed again the balmy breeze of the once rebellious South, amid the loud plaudits of a conquered people.

I have it from your own lips that everywhere upon your triumphal journey you have received the same warm, joyous, patriotic greeting, and all without the expenditure of one dollar, from Vicksburg to Washington.

Yet here, in the capital of the nation, by men full of professions and boasting of loyalty, you have met your first, your only rebuke. At the moment you expected to crown your triumphal march by planting that flag upon the dome of the Capitol, the massive doors of that temple of liberty are slammed in your face, and you are driven to Washington's Monument; and there, with bowed head, you have unfurled your banner.

Had the so-called rebels torn from it twenty-six bright stars, a Radical Congress would have welcomed the dismantled ensign with shouts of joy, as being evidence of an unrepentant people. But it was a standing rebuke to them to find it pass safely and triumphantly throughout your entire journey without an insult, and requiring no *reconstruction* at their hands.

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Your mistake, Mr. Sergeant, is an innocent and a national one. You believed in the profession of these men. You thought their loud boasting of love for the Union was sincere. The people once thought like you, but like yourself they have found that they keep the word of promise to the ear but break it to the hope. Had you taken some dusky son of Ham, and borne him Atlas-like upon your back through the sunny South, and landed him safely here, a Radical Congress would have opened wide those bolted doors, and when you thrust your sable brother—the American citizen, of African descent—into the outstretched arms of the Goddess of Liberty which crowns the dome of yonder Capitol, one loud, long shout of joy would have gone up from those gilded halls below, and you would have been hailed as a hero and crowned with laurel.

Seated in that same Capitol from which you are driven, they strike down the Supreme Court, trample upon the Constitution of our fathers, ride over the sacredness of law, and, in the madness of their wrath, drunken with power, they are this moment enacting the solemn farce of impeaching a President for the high crime and misdemeanor of refusing to bow down to their party lash, and daring to stand between them and future power.

This "traitor President" gave you and the flag a warm welcome to-day, and the loyal Senate, that bars you out of the Capitol, may, for that crime, frame another charge in their bill of indictment.

But we must not despair. Their transient voice is not the voice of the people. No; they but imitate the rash youth "who fired the Ephesian dome, that his name might outlive the memory of the pious fool who reared it."

I well remember in the Compromise days of 1850, Daniel Webster, the great expounder of the Constitution, after voting for those measures that spread the bow of promise in the political heavens, returned to Boston and asked the poor privilege of defending his course, and the same Radical fanatics that drove you and your flag from the Capitol to-day barred the doors of Faneuil Hall, that cradle of liberty, against Daniel Webster. Like yourself, he was driven into the inclement air, and gave them that rebuke, which I may well repeat here:

"O! ye solid men of Boston, you have conquered an inhospitable climate; you have conquered the very waves that wash your shores; but you have yet to conquer your prejudices."

You, sir, have faced rebel bullets in time of war, and you can bear Radical insult in time of peace.

The day will soon come when your bright banner can and will float from yonder dome, every star having a State, and every State having her star. Then will your triumphant march live fresh and green in the memory of a grateful nation, while the very names of the men who drove you from the Capitol will be forgotten, or remembered only with the scorn and contempt which will ever follow the betrayers of a confiding people.

At the conclusion of Mr. Perrin's remarks, the flag was waved from the monument amid tremendious applause, and nine rousing cheers.

The Sergeant was then conducted to the Metropolitan Hotel, where sumptuous quarters had been provided for him.

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State of North Carolina,
ANSON COUNTY.

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, January Term, 1868.

John J. Colson, administrator of James A. Robinson, vs. Thomas A. Robinson and others.
PETITION TO MAKE REAL ESTATE ASSETS.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the defendants Thomas A Robinson, James Bell & wife, Mary Bell, James Kimbrough & wife, Ann Kimbrough, Joseph Robinson, Calvin Robinson, Melvina Robinson, and Arthur Robinson reside beyond the limits of this State, it is ordered by the Court that publication be made for six weeks, successively, in the WATCHMAN & OLD NORTH STATE, a paper published in the town of Salisbury, notifying the said Thomas A. Robinson, James Bell and wife, Mary Bell, James Kimbrough and wife, Ann Kimbrough, Joseph Robinson, Calvin Robinson, Melvina Robinson, and Arthur Robinson to be and appear at the next term of this court, to be held for the county of Anson, at the court-house in Wadesboro on the second Monday in April next then and there to plead answer or demur to said petition or judgment pro confesso will be rendered against them and the same will be heard ex parte as to them.

Witness, Patrick J. Coppedge, clerk of said Court at office in Wadesborough, the second Monday in January, A. D., 1868.

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State of North Carolina,
YADKIN COUTTY.

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, JANUARY TERM, 1868.

James Armstrong vs A. M. Howard.

Attachment levied on Land.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, in this case, that the defendant, A. M. Howard, is a non resident of the State of North Carolina, it is, therefore, ordered by the Court, that publication be made for six weeks, in the *Watchman and Old North State*, notifying the said defendant to be and appear before the Justices of our Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, to be holden on second Monday in April next, at the court-house in Yadkinville, then and there to plead, answer or replevy, or the same will be heard, *ex parte*, and the land levied on condemned to satisfy plaintiff's debt, and an order of sale granted.

Witness, J. G Marler, clerk of our said Court at office, in Yadkinville, the second Monday in January, A. D. 1868.

11:6:$8) J. G. MARLER, c.c.c.

State of North Carolina,
DAVIDSON COUNTY.

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions, February Term, 1868.

The petition of Lucy Perryman against the Heirs at Law of L. E. Perryman, dec'd, viz: G. M. Perryman, Andrew Perryman, Frank Perryman and wife Elizabeth, J. D. Perryman and Robert Perryman.

Petition for Dower.

IT appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, that the defendants, J. D. & Robert Perryman are non residents of this State: It is therefore ordered by the Court that publication be made in the *Watchman & Old North State*, a paper published in the town of Salisbury, N. C., for six successive weeks, notifying said defendants to be and appear at the next term of this Court to be held for the County of Davidson, at the Court House in Lexington, on the second Monday of May next. Then and there to answer the petition of the plaintiff in this case, otherwise the same will be heard ex parte and judgment rendered *pro confesso* as to them.

Witness Jno. Haines, Clerk of said Court at Office in Lexington, the second Monday of February, A. D. 1868.

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