

THE WILMINGTON HERALD.

WILMINGTON, N. C., NOVEMBER 24.

THE LATEST NEWS BY MAIL.

FROM WASHINGTON. A New Scheme of Reconstruction.

The Trial of Winder and Duncan.

APPOINTMENTS TO THE REGULAR ARMY.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 20.

There is no foundation for statement made in the Washington papers that the secretary of the treasury will put forward a new loan.

A NEW SCHEME OF RECONSTRUCTION.

A bill has been drawn up here for the presentation to congress on the first day of the session proposing a new scheme of reconstruction.

The secretary of war this morning ordered the discharge of every prisoner from the Old Capitol who had been committed there by Detective Baker.

There seems to be no doubt in well-informed military circles that the secretary of war has ordered a military court to convene for the trial of Winder, Duncan, and Gee.

OUR TRIPS IN TEXAS.

Letters received here from Corpus Christi, Texas, dated as late as October 23, state that it was very sickly among the troops.

Major General Howard, superintendent of the freedmen's bureau, returned to Washington on Saturday from his tour of inspection through the southern states.

General Howard has a protracted interview today with the president and secretary of war.

Governor Morton, of Indiana, had an interview with President Johnson this afternoon, of considerable duration.

Dr. Thomas E. Massey, of the city of Mexico, has reached here. He was for many years connected with the democratic press in Ohio and Minnesota.

APPOINTMENTS TO THE REGULAR ARMY.

An order has been issued by the war department for a board of officers to assemble in this city as soon as practicable, to examine and report upon the applications and recommendations which have been submitted for appointments in the regular regiments of the army.

The adjutant general will be before the board of the list of applications, and the recommendations and other papers.

General Steele assigned to Oregon. Major-General Steele, who has just returned from his command on the Rio Grande, has been

assigned to the command of the department of Oregon, in place of General Wright.

REGULAR CAVALRY SENT TO TEXAS.

All the regular cavalry regiments, excepting the Fifth, have been ordered for duty to the command of General Merritt, at San Antonio, Texas.

COURT MARTIAL.

Captain John Kennedy, of the Two Hundred and Thirtieth Pennsylvania volunteers, tried by court martial for drunkenness on duty, has been cashiered the service.

REPORT OF THE COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS.

The report of the commissioner of customs, which has just been sent to the secretary of the treasury, will contain some exceedingly interesting facts in regard to abandoned and confiscated property.

A GREAT DISASTER.

Destruction of an Entire Village by Fire. HALIFAX, N. S., Nov. 20.

The town of French St. Pierre, Miramichi, was destroyed by fire on the 5th. One hundred and twenty houses were burned. Loss \$4,000,000.

Visit of Gen. Thomas to Mississippi.

It is understood that General Thomas visits Mississippi in order of the president to settle the conflict between Governors Shreve and Humphreys, both claiming the governorship of that state.

Fenian Demonstration.

The Fenians held a grand torchlight procession this evening on the Brandywine, of Philadelphia, were made by John M. Moriarty, of Philadelphia; Hon. F. Pennington, P. M. Plunkett and others.

Change of Commander.

Major General Gillmore left for the north on the steamer Adombra last Saturday. This military department is now under the command of Major General Daniel E. Sickles.

Major General Devens will continue in command of the district. Brigadier General Bennett has command of the post.

MARINE INTELLIGENCE.

ARRIVED. Steamer A. P. Hart, from Fayetteville to Worth & Daniel.

COMMERCIAL. The Home Market. WILMINGTON, NOV. 24, P. M.

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Hotel Arrivals.

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est interests of our state, let us, by a faithful observance of the obligations we have assumed, and by the moral power we may exert, sustain the president in his herculean endeavor.

MISSISSIPPI.

The Abolition of Cotton Courts by the Mississippi legislature has been declared the action of the legislature in abolishing the cotton court unconstitutional.

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SPEECH OF HON. SCHUYLER COLFAX.

His Views on the Situation.

He is Opposed to the Admission of Southern Representatives in Congress.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.

This evening a large crowd of friends of Speaker Colfax repaired to his quarters and complimented him with a serenade.

My friends—I thank you for this pleasant serenade which you welcome me on my return to this sphere of public duty.

My thoughts more naturally turn this evening to the auspicious condition of our country now compared with the closing of the last congress.

Then, an alien and hostile flag waved over cities, and ports, and camps and regiments, and we went home in March to assist in raising more troops.

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BY TELEGRAPH.

The President and Gov. Humphreys, of Mississippi.

Message of the Governor of Alabama.

HE RECOMMENDS THE ADOPTION OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT.

From Mississippi. JACKSON, Miss., Nov. 23.

A bill has passed the house allowing freedmen to testify when parties to record.

Gov. Humphreys has telegraphed the president relative to the withdrawal of colored troops.

THE TESTIMONY OF COLORED PERSONS ADMITTED. NEW ORLEANS, Nov. 18.

The Mississippi house has partly revised its refusal to allow negro testimony against whites.

THE SUPREME COURT DECISION—ARREST OF A FORGER CONVICTED OF BURGLARY. DETROIT, MICH., Nov. 18.

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FROM THE SOUTH. Michigan Troops Coming Home—A Steamer Fired Into—Outraged by Negro Soldiers—Fatal Mortality Expected Among the Negroes.

CAIRO, Ill., Nov. 13. The 10th Michigan cavalry arrived to-day, and proceeded homeward by railroad.

A rise of 10 feet is reported in the Alabama river.

Mobile paper report that when the steamer Creole was passing Fort Powell a blank cartridge was fired at her when opposite the fort, and not stopping her wheels instantly a solid shot was fired at the boat.

Active measures are on foot for the early completion of the Vicksburg, Shreveport and Texas railroad.

Mobile papers complain vehemently of the daily and hourly outrages committed by negro soldiers, and record numerous instances of men being murdered in broad daylight, and the murderers in every instance escape punishment.

The Mobile Tribune says: "The cold snap last week is telling fearfully on the negroes, and unless something is done death will reap a harvest among them."

The New Orleans Delta says of the negro soldiers of Shreveport: "The negro soldiers, armed and insolent, roam over the whole country, infest the public roads, the streets of the city by day and night, perpetrate robberies with impunity, and murder where resistance is offered."

These are public facts, capable of the most exact authentication, of almost daily occurrence, and repeated on nearly the same spot, in the same day, and about the same distance from camp.

These soldiers, in the name of common sense, why are they here at all? There are or have been no disorders but those they have created or occasioned, and we have every reason to fear that, in spite of the benighted intentions of government, they will be the authors of the greatest calamity that ever befel a people.

It is their boast that the whites are unarmed and dare not arm themselves, and we must be excused for not expressing any great confidence in the immediate commanders of these troops being disposed to hold them in check, however much disposed to do so they may be."

FROM WASHINGTON. WASHINGTON, Nov. 19. DISCREPANCIES IN ACCOUNTS.

The settling up of the accounts of a large number of officers connected with the quartermaster's department show a large discrepancy between their statements and those of the accounting officers of the treasury.

RECONSTRUCTION. It is estimated that in advance of the annual message, President Johnson will issue a proclamation defining more fully the policy to be pursued relative to reconstruction in the southern states.

RIOT IN WASHINGTON. A riot broke out last night at one of the barracks here, between the regulars and some of Hancock's troops.

A very dangerous counterfeit fifty-dollar green

if not all, the conventions have declared them in force without any ratification by the people.

When that crisis has passed can we not turn around and say that these were adopted under duress, by delegates elected by a meagre vote, under provisional governors, and military authorities, and never ratified by a popular vote?

And could they not turn over anti-Lecompton arguments against us and insist, as we did, that a constitution not ratified by the people may have legal effect, but no moral effect whatever?

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