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BY TELEGRAPH.

Steamer Scout Coming Up with New York Dates of the 23d.

[To the New Orleans Bee.]

Quarantine, October 31.

The U. S. transport steamer Thos. A. Scott, Capt. Wm. O. Brien, passed here at 6.45 this p. m., with New York dates of the 23d.

SALE POSTPONED.—The sale of furniture and crockery which was to have taken place yesterday, at No. 36 Exchange Place, was postponed by the auctioneer, Mr. E. M. Jacobs, to-morrow, Wednesday, on account of the weather.

The regular session of the Confederate Congress will meet in Richmond on the 7th November, one day before the United States Presidential election.

Hood's March Through Northeast Alabama.

Jacksboro, from which, according to the last news via Mobile, Hood's army was out recently on its march for Tennessee, is a small town on the Coosa River, 55th. about 60 miles southwest from Somerville, Ga., to which place Hood was said in late Northern accounts to have retreated. Somerville, where, as it is stated, Hood designed to cross the Tennessee river, is in the lowest angle of that stream in the northeastern portion of Alabama, and about 50 miles due south from the Tennessee line, about 20 from the Memphis and Charleston railroad, and about 60 from the junction of that and the Nashville railroad at Stevenson. The last named place is distant about 30 miles from Chattanooga. Consequently, if Hood aimed, as it has been estimated to and Gen. Sherman's railroad communications between Chattanooga and Nashville, he could hardly strike at a more vital point than Stevenson. But Sherman, from Kingston, Ga., would have the advantage in point of distance, and it is to be presumed that he would anticipate Hood, and instead of following in his rear on a circuitous march, would advance directly and occupy Stevenson while Hood was delivering his line of march in that direction from the Tennessee river. Finding that he was anticipated, Hood would probably, as the plan attributed to him in the Richmond and Mobile papers, make a dash for the railroad above Stevenson running to Nashville. This struggle for position, by means of rapid movement rather than by hard fighting, is one of the most interesting contests of the war, and half calculated to exemplify a maxim of Frederick the Great, that in war legs are worth more than arms.

From the Rio Grande.

[From Correspondence of the N. O. Era.]

BRAZOS SANTIAGO, October 25.

There has reigned a season of perfect peace and quietness here since the occupation of Matamoras by the French.

The rebel General Drayton has been superseded in command at Brownsville and the surrounding district by Gen. Slaughter. The former, it is supposed, came down here as an observing officer from permanent commander. — Slaughter is still in command of the troops, which are supposed to number about eight hundred.

The Liberal ex-General Cortinas is enjoying himself in Matamoras as a private gentleman of wealth and leisure. He brings that he has been able to secure his treasure, which was some 12 Brownsville and surrendered his wheels force to the Union authorities.

As it is, he has surrendered his force to the satisfaction of the Republic on condition that all valid remain in undisturbed possession of the people he had accumulated. So much for the politicians of Cortinas. It has transformed him from a poor adventurer to a wealthy Planter.

A heavy trade has opened up with Matamoras and New York, which proves profitable to all parties. Quite a large fleet of merchantmen are lying off the mouth of the Rio Grande. The rebels of course benefit somewhat by this, as smuggling cannot be stopped while it will pay.

About fifteen hundred bales of Confederate Government cotton are now lying at Brownsville, which will probably find their way into the hands of the New York traders.

The Letter of Mr. Boyce, of S. C., on Peace.

The New York Times of the 22d Oct. has in it the letter of Mr. Boyce, of South Carolina, addressed to Jeff. Davis, on the Political Situation North and South. Its salient points are exhibited in the subjoined passages:

Winnsboro', S. C., Sept. 29, 1864—Sir: The Democratic party of the United States, in their late convention at Chicago, resolved that if they attained power they would agree to an armistice and a convention of all the States, to consider the subject of peace. I think that action demands a favorable response from our Government. You are the only person who can make that response, because your Congress does not meet until after the time appointed for the Presidential election. If our Congress met at once, I should propose the action I desire to take to that body, and submit to its judgment my arguments, but as that opportunity does not occur, I have no alternative but to remain silent or address myself to you. I can not consistently with my ideas of duty, remain silent. I therefore address myself to you. We are now waging war to obtain a satisfactory peace. By a satisfactory peace, I mean a peace consistent with the preservation of our free institutions. By a satisfactory peace, I do not mean that cessation of hostilities which might, after a protracted contest, result from the exhaustion of the belligerents. Such a peace we would fail to secure. If nerveless hands, that hearts a pray to the rear. Such a peace as that would be but a truce—a truce, by which each party would be unnecessarily preparing for a new, fatal and desperate struggle. The peace which I mean is a peace which reconciles the interests and the feelings of the belligerents; a peace, "in short, which restores harmony. Unless we can obtain such a peace as this, our republican institutions are lost to their full, and we become the subjects of a military despotism. Every Government must exist; this is the law of its being. If it is attacked by a great force it must bring a proportionately great force to its defence. If its form is such as not to furnish military strength to the fullest extent of its means, it must be changed and then force. The republican form, especially the form of a Confederacy of free States, is not the best adapted for war. In fact, it is a peace establishment. The form best adapted for war, in a national military despotism. The Republic at war is gradually passing into despotism. As the war assumes and the pressure of the enemy increases, this transition is accelerated. A Republic forced to the wall by a powerful enemy must end in despotism.

Mr. Boyce then illustrates, by reference to the history of European nations, his remark that "no country can be free which has to keep up a big army based on war powers," and proceeds:

But why resort to general reasoning and the exhibition of European nations to prove what I have asserted, when the proof stares us in the face in the example of our own country. We see it in every sight; we feel it in every emotion; we hear it in every sound. * * * We have been at war not quite four years, and what is the result? Is not our Federal Government in the exercise of every possible power of a national central military despotism? Suppose there were no States, only provinces, and unlimited power was conferred upon you and Congress—what greater power would you exercise than you do now?

It is plain that our Government exercises the powers of a central despotism. I blame no one for it. I am sure those who are at the head of the Government would gladly have it otherwise, but necessity compels the course they have taken. But I shall be told, perhaps, this necessity is limited to the war, and when peace returns we will go back to our old ease of liberty. That depends upon the kind of peace. A peace without reconciliation carries in its bosom the seeds of new wars. This armed peace and its adopting war would fasten upon us permanently a central military despotism. It is common to hear it said that the United States have gone into despotism. If so, then it is a very sad truth for us, for that would develop their maximum military power, and would, of course, consolidate the same thing in the same way on our part. The truth is, we are vitally interested in the preservation of free institutions in the Northern States, because the people of the United States will not only make their institutions, but they will make ours. If they acquire their maximum military strength by going into despotism, we must do the same, just as if they were to originate new and overpowerfully destructive modes of warfare, we would have to resort to the same or be overwhelmed. Some persons of intelligence contend that the Northern people have gone into despotism, but ridicule the idea of such a calamity befalling us. To such I would reply, we are both best beings, not gods, and we are subject upon by necessity as other people. The truth is, that the Government at Washington has not dared to exercise power on the grand scale that our Government has. The Lincoln Government has not ventured to resort to an effective conscription; it has not resorted to taxation as we have; it has made a kind; it does not prohibit imports; it does not monopolize the exports; it does not rely on impressments. It plays the tyrant, but he hesitates to seize the novels.

I think I have established my proposition, that our Republican institutions are lost unless we have a peace accompanied by harmony with the North. The great question for us then is, how are we to obtain such a peace.

I think we can only hope of a satisfactory peace, one consistent with the preservation of free institutions, in the supremacy of this party (the Democratic and Conservative party of the North) at some time or other. Our policy, therefore, is to give this party all the capital we can. You should, therefore, at once, in my opinion, give this party all the encouragement possible, by declaring your willingness to an armistice and a convention of all the States in their sovereign capacity, to enter upon the subject of peace. The theory upon which this party goes, is that we are willing to cease hostilities, at least temporarily, and meet in council to attain peace if possible. The theory upon which Mr. Lincoln goes is, that there is no use to attempt any negotiation with us; that the sword is the only possible arbiter. Our policy is to show that this theory of the Chicago platform is the true one.

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The Legislature.

MONDAY, October 31st, 1864.

The *Senate* was called to order at the usual hour.

A communication was read from the Secretary of State announcing the election of Mr. Allpence Delage, as Senator in place of Mr. Tillotson of Assumption, resigned.

Mr. Delage Delage presence was sworn in and took his seat as Senator from the Parishes of Assumption, Assumption and Terrebonne.

The Finance Committee reported a bill to authorize the issuing of notes to the amount of $500,000 to replenish the State Treasury, which passed its first reading.

The Committee on Militia reported that a bill had been prepared and would be introduced in the House relative to militia.

The Committee on Auditing the expenses reported that it had approved the bill of the *Era* for printing ($308). On motion, the report was adopted.

A resolution was adopted requesting our members elect to the United States Congress to use their influence to have "Powers States of Washington" returned to the State.

A resolution relative to appointing a Committee to send for persons and papers for the purpose of making certain enquiries relative to the printing of the late Convention, was introduced and adopted.

A resolution was adopted requiring the Secretary to furnish such papers as need in a copy of the proceedings of the Senate.

The Committee on Public Lands reported favorably on the bill relative to the sale of Public Lands.

The bill relative to mail mortgages was referred to the Judiciary Committee.

The Senate then went into Executive Session.

After the doors were again opened, the Senate adjourned until Wednesday next at 12 o'clock.

The House was called to order at the usual hour.

A preamble and resolution were presented, showing that the House now has $7 also to coming the sum of $147 per day, and appointing a committee of five to ascertain what number is requisite to conduct the business of the House—said over under the rules.

A joint resolution was presented and laid on the table, to appoint a committee of —— to request the Governor and Attorney General to wait upon and ascertain the views of the Commanding General relative to civil government.

The Committee on Militia reported a bill concerning the militia, 150 copies were ordered to be printed and the report made the order of the day for Friday next.

The Bill for the temporary relief of the State Treasury passed on second reading.

The following bills were adopted with their titles.

An Act relative to the collection of criminal fees in the Parish of Jefferson.

An Act to extend the power of constables in the Parish of Jefferson.

The House then adjourned until Wednesday next at 12 o'clock.

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

Provost Court—Judge G. N. Lieber.—S. W. Miller, who on Saturday entered the house of Mrs Prendergast on Customhouse street with the determination to search the premises, was tried yesterday. He was farther charge with having grabbed the proprietrix by the throat. The accused was sent to prison for one month.

M. Kieffer was tried for having sold a mustang pony, which had the letters U. S. branded on him. It was shown that the animal was the private property of an officer who sold it to Kieffer who was acquitted.

The Mother Found.—A few days ago an abandoned baby was found in the upper part of the city, with the words appended on a paper, that the innocent one be provided with a good home, or to give it up to the sisters of the Holy Cross. Yesterday the mother of the child was discovered. She is a widow with another larger child and pleades that poverty urged her to try that mean of providing for the baby.

FROM OUR YESTERDAY EVENING EDITION

BY TELEGRAPH.

1½ P. M.

The Latest from the South, via Clinton and Baton Rouge.

RICHMOND AND PETERSBURG DATES OF THE 27th AND 28th.

Fighting on the North and South sides of James River—Indecisive Results on the South Side—Federal Attack on the North Side repulsed with heavy loss.

A SUCCESS BY MOSBY.

Particulars of the Capture of Dalton.

[To the New Orleans Bee.]

Baton Rouge, October 31.

The following is received from the Fatchem *Democrat*, published at Clinton, October 29th, with Richmond dates 27th and Petersburg 28th.

Richmond, October 27.—Enemy advanced in heavy force on North side to-day. Made several assaults on our lines but were finally repulsed with heavy loss. 500 prisoners already brought in. Our loss insignificant.

Richmond, October 28.—Official dispatches from Gen. Lee last night say enemy crossed Swanting Creek below Burgess' Mills in considerable forces. In the afternoon General ——— first drove them but found them in too strong force. Afterwards enemy attacked but were repulsed. They still held plank road at Burgess' Mills. To-day came colors and prisoners. Movement of enemy against our left to-day was repulsed.

Two attacks were made upon our lines, one between Henrico Poorhouse and Charles City road, the other on Williamsburg road. Several hundred prisoners and four stands of colors captured. Our loss very slight. On 25th Col. Moseby, near Bunker Hill, captured Brig. Gen. Duffield and other prisoners, a number horses and killed a number of the enemy, contained no loss.

Petersburg, Oct. 28.—Last night about dark the enemy charged our works on Baxter Road capturing a small portion of them. Gen. Mahone rallied his troops and were soon driving the enemy with the loss of about a dozen prisoners. Our loss small.

Lieut. Col. Hanson and Wm. of Wird's brigade were captured by the enemy about 10 o'clock last night.

Enemy charged our works on Jerusalem plank road, capturing part of our pickets and driving the rest.

About six o'clock however our picket line was re-established at this post. In fight yesterday on Boynton road, below, 3 battle flags were captured from the enemy and about 200 prisoners taken. Nothing heard from below this morning. The enemy's cavalry are on a raid on the South Carolina road.

Jacksonville, Oct 17.—Gen. Hood invaded Dalton on last Thursday, and at once sent in flag of truce and demanded its surrender. Col. Johnson, the Federal commander sent a person to see our General. "Will you, said the Colonel treat the garrison as prisoners of war, if I surrender?" No sir. "Will you parole?" No sir. I will allow you five minutes to surrender and if not complied with, I will put the garrison to the sword. The Colonel observed the terms the shortest time that he would surrender, which was at once done.

The prisoners captured were as follows: 600 negroes in full Yankee uniform, 250 white soldiers, one battery 6 guns, field artillery, and 60 cavalry, together with several guns mounted, a large quantity of stores, ammunition, saddles and blankets. At Tilton we captured 550 men without firing a gun.

New York Dry Goods Market.

[From the N. Y. Gen. Advertiser, Oct. 22, 9 P. M.]

There has been steady improvement in the tone of the market during the week. Prices have advanced 5@10 per cent, owing to the improved demand on some kinds of goods, 7½ to 15 per cent. The improvement may perhaps be attributed to the necessity for buying rather than to any great increase in consumption, as there is still and underlying feeling of mistrust as to prices, caused by the fluctuations of gold and the uncertainty that it will ever keep at present quotations in the face of recent victories and reports that may speedily be won. The disposition, therefore, is to supply only immediate wants. From the same feeling of mistrust the jobbers are selling out their stocks as freely as possible, and manufacturers to accept what they are paying for new goods. This feeling, however, is not universal. In some quarters, we observe a disposition to buy decidedly speculative, in which parties have no such parties being that extremely limited production will force up prices irrespective of the amount of gold and the general situation.

The purchases of Brown Sheetings at first hands are limited. Buyers prefer picking up any outside lots to meeting agents' goods at a slight advance. Stocks are said to be held by agents 55c. to 56½c. Light weights are scarce and much wanted.

Bleached Shirtings have been more active during the week. Holders have made some concession in prices, and considerable transactions, both speculative and regular, have been the result.

Prices are generally about 30 per cent, below the extreme prices current before the decline. Wamsutta are 60c; New York Mills, 60c; White Rock, 57½c.

Brown Drills are very scarce and firm, quotations ranging from 55c. to 60c.

There is a considerable decline for Cotton Flannels. Hamilton F's are quoted 62c; Manchaug, bleached, 55c.

Ticks are dull, and prices irregular. We quote Amoskeag A. C. A., 60c.; A., 70c.; D., 55c.; Amoskeag Deanes, 70c.

The trade in printing cloths is utterly demoralized. The printers having to a large extent stopped printing, are not buyers of cloth, and the absence of demand keeps the prices below practical figures. The current prices are merely nominal and may be quoted 65c. to 70c. for standard 64x61 cloth.

The demand for prints has been active during the week, and the stocks in agents' hands are perhaps lower than at any time within the memory of merchants. Prices are decidedly stronger and in some cases an advance has been realized. Merrimack W's have been raised to 40c; Allen's famous are quoted 33c. nom.; Hamilton 33c. nom.; Manchester 34c.; American 37c.; Dunnell's 42c. Arnold's 31c.; Pontic 36c.; Sprague's 36c.

The stock of Denims has been much reduced by the late active demand, and the Hamilton goods are closed out of first hands. The price continues at 65c.

The trade in Woolen goods has been steady, with a slight increase in the strength of prices. Blankets are generally entirely moderate, and holders show no disposition to make any material concession. The demand for heavy sheetings has revived, especially for fine qualities of South Fields, which sell rapidly at $2 to 3.75 Other grades are more active than of late.

Later from the South and the North Via Mobile.

Appeal from Gen. Beauregard on ceding command of the Military Division of the West—Situation at Atlanta—Hood's Movement Through North East Alabama toward the Tennessee River.

PRICE REPORTED DEFEATED AND RETREATING IN MISSOURI, PURSUED BY PLEASANTON.

Situations at Petersburg, Charleston and Wilmington—Bragg Commanding at the Last Name Place.

PROCLAMATION BY JEFF DAVIS FOR FASTING PRAYER, AND INVOCATION FOR PEACE.

GEN. EARLY'S ADDRESS TO HIS ARMY AFTER ITS DEFEAT.

Convention of Southern Governors at Augusta, Ga.—Resolutions by them on the War.

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(From this morning's Times.

We have the Mobile *Register and Advertiser* of the 25th and 26th, and the *Tribune* of the 25th, from which we take the following:

LATE FROM ATLANTA.

A gentleman reached here on Saturday, says the Montgomery *Advertiser*, who came out of Atlanta on Tuesday. He reports two thousand sick Yankee soldiers and about one thousand effective ones in that city. The garrison is daily undergoing the means of escape from Atlanta. Our cavalry surround the city, and a portion of them sleep in houses in the suburbs every night.

GEN. BRAGG.

The announcement that this distinguished officer had left Richmond to assume an important command is more fully explained by the intelligence that he is to take charge of the defences of Wilmington.

(From the Charleston Courier, Oct. 27.)

SIEGE OF CHARLESTON.

The firing Wednesday was confined principally to the different batteries on the Island; only one shot having been fired at the city. Battery Wagner fired eighteen shots at James's Island, Battery Gregg and the "swamp Angel" sixteen shots at Fort Sumter, and thirty-five shots at Sullivan's Island. The latter replied and fired fourteen shots at Gregg.

The deserters who were brought to the city state that the enemy on Morris's island had 11 guns bearing upon the city, no more than three heavy ones being sent in any one time. Several of their largest guns had very recently burst. These deserters also state that the enemy have been in expectation of an attack on Morris's Island from our side. This information they gained from deserters.

HOOD'S ARMY ON ITS WAY TO TENNESSEE.

(Correspondence of Montgomery Mail.)

Gadsden, Ala., Saturday night, Oct. 22, 1864

The army has made its day of stops and goes. The last train has disappeared, and the last soldier has taken his farewell peep of the south side of the Coosa. The shadows of night creep slowly over the scene, and the stars look down in vain for the camp fires that answered but yesterday night their own reciprocal glitter.

In place of the busy hum that has reached out in the van it was followed by Lee or rather Dick Taylor, who occupies the centre, and to day at this point, the rear division under General Cleburn crossed the river Jordan or Coosa. (My they not find it a hard road to travel?) The transportation quickly followed and at noon the column was all up and also hurried forward after the troops.

What does it mean? It has not yet signified it to the "outward." Let it mean what it may, upon any vessel of wisdom heard or shared by them, and that we respect Congress at its next session to pin a fewer everything all rethe Chief would have the books we may—no matter what reason we may—no long more to conceal this, we say to the people, the whole nation of our Confederacy, that the army is on the march, and with a good heart, to the work that lies before us.

My countrymen! respond to this call as you have done in days that have passed, and with the blessings of a kind and overruling Providence, the enemy shall be driven from our soil, the security of your wives and daughters, from the insults and the outrages of a brutal foe, shall be established, soon to be followed by a permanent and honorable peace. The claims of home and country, wife and children, nothing with the demands of honor and patriotism, summon me to the field. We cannot, dare not, will not fail to respond.

Full of hope and confidence. I come to you in your struggle, sharing your privations, and, with your brave and true men, to strike the blow that shall bring success to our army, triumph to our cause and peace to our country.

(Signed) G. T. BEAUREGARD,
General.

Official: Geo. W. Brent, Col. and A. A. G.

THE MEETING OF THE GOVERNORS.

We copy from the *Chronicle and Sentinel* the following resolutions adopted at Augusta, on the 19th instant, by the Governors of the States of Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Mississippi, Governor Smith, of Virginia, presiding over the meeting:

Resolved, That there is nothing in the present aspect of affairs to cause any abatement of our zeal in the prosecution of the war to the successful establishment of a peace, based on the independence of the Confederate States. And to give expression to our fixed purpose, we will use our best exertions to increase the effective force of our armies.

Resolved, That the interests of each of our States are identified in the present struggle for self-government, and wisdom as well as true patriotism dictate that the military forces of each should aid one other against invasion and subjugation, and for one purpose we will recommend to our several Legislatures to repeal all such laws as prohibit the Executives from sending their forces beyond their respective limits, in order that they may render temporary service wherever most urgently required.

Resolved, That whilst it is our purpose to use every exertion to increase the strength and efficiency of our State and Confederate forces, we respectfully and earnestly request that the Confederate authorities will withhold the field every able-bodied man with the exception, in any of its various departments where place can be filled by either disabled officers or soldiers, senior reserves or negroes, and dispense with the use of all provost and post guards, except in important cities, for localities where the presence of troops make them necessary, and with all passport agents upon call, reside not in the immediate vicinity of the armies, as we consider these agents as mere cumbersome appliances to good order, and of no possible benefit to the country.

Resolved, That we recommend to our respective Legislatures to pass stringent laws for the arrest and return to their commands of all deserters and stragglers from the Confederate armies or State troops and that it be made the special duty, under appropriate penalties, of all civil and military officers to arrest and deliver to the proper authorities all of the aforesaid.

And whereas, the public journals have proclaimed the freedom of our slaves, and forced into their armies the able bodied portion thereof, the more effectually to weaken their power and bloody war against us, therefore be it

Resolved, That it is the true policy and obvious duty of all slave owners not only to remove their slaves from the line of the enemy's approach, and especially those able to bear arms and when they shall fail to do so that it should be the duty of the proper authorities to use force for the performance of this duty and to give to such owners all necessary assistance as far as practicable.

Resolved, That the course of the enemy in appropriating our slaves who happen to fall into their hands to purposes of war, seems to justify the policy of refusing to exchange prisoners, but as slaves, under the circumstances, should freely yield them to their country, we recommend to our authorities, under proper regulations, to appropriate such of them to the public service as may be required.

Resolved, That the States have the right to export such agricultural products essential war supplies as may be necessary for State use, or for the comfort or support of their troops in service, upon any vessel or vessels owned or chartered by them, and that we request Congress at its next session to pass a law confirming all existing regulations of States on this subject, and to authorize such export upon such regulations as they may impose.

And, lastly, we deem it our imperative duty to declare our firm and unalterable purpose, as we believe it to be that of our fellow-citizens, to maintain our just right of self-government, to establish our independence, and to uphold the rights and sovereignty of the States, or to perish in the attempt.

Resolved, That the Chairman be requested to send a copy of these resolutions to his Excellency, President Davis, and also one each to the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House of Representatives, to be laid before their respective bodies.

THE RENEGADE AS LOP.

The Richmond *Sentinel* that speaks of this miserable wretch and says of his character:

"C. G Baylor, who has for several years affected to connect himself very intimately with the cotton interest, has deserted and turned informer. He has fled which he thought their hands above the marching columns, cast down upon the soldier's head, and how these deepening hills of woe are to close. The smallest observer of the man discovered that he was an adventurer and a humbug, and his search for persons verdant enough to be deceived by him was hence unlimited, and stigmatized by him, he claimed to be commercial and financial agent for the State of Georgia. He represented to New Yankees and to Europeans important intelligence to them as the reason of his desertion. The true reason was he pocketed was empty and he found the thing up, and fled to escape starvation.

He story was like that of all deserters, *made up* and the venom expressed towards the Confederacy was prepared for the market.

(From this morning's Times.)

Through the kindness of a Union officer we have received the Mobile *Evening News* of the 27th inst., containing Beauregard's news to that date, and intelligence from the North up to the 25th—being one day later from the former section and two days later from the latter than has been published in the city.

Gold on the 24th.

A Richmond telegram of the 26th, published in the Mobile papers of the 27th, says the New York papers of the 24th contain *American* of the evening of the 24th quote gold at 215.

SENATOR SEBRE.

Senator Semmes, of New Orleans, would address the people of Mobile on the 27th.

PROCLAMATION BY THE PRESIDENT.

Richmond, Oct. 26.—The President has issued a proclamation appointing the 16th of November as a day to be specially devoted to the worship of Almighty God. He invokes the people of the Confederate States to assemble on that day at their respective places of worship, and unite in prayer to their Heavenly Father for deliverance and peace.

Richmond, Oct. 26.—General Early has issued a lengthy and eloquent address to the troops of his command. He attributes the recent defeat to the disgraceful propensity to plunder, and to the want of discipline. He appeals to them to stand by their colors in future at all hazards, and restrieve their reputation. The address does not admit of condemnation, and is too long to transmit in full.

Petersburg, Oct. 26.—The enemy have receded a short distance on the City Point Road, but it amounts to nothing. They are supposed to be massing their forces in order to avoid an infilade fire from our Chesterfield batteries, and to get more eligible ground for their line of earth works. They are still busily fortifying their lines, and everything at present indicates a purpose on their part to act on the defensive.

The force in our front is shrinking the 2nd and 5th corps.

Picket firing and sharpshooting are of daily occurrence, mingled occasionally with discharges of artillery.

Deserters report the enemy building winter quarters in the rear of their line of works.

Our rebs are well fed, receiving supplies of clothes and blankets, and in good spirits.

A good many recruits are coming in under the order recalling details.

Richmond, October 26.—Northern papers of the 24th contain additional gratification dispatches from Sheridan in relation to the battle of Cedar Creek.

There has been nothing from Sherman's army for four days, except reports of the continued retreat of Hood.

A train from Atlanta had arrived at Tilton.

The Vermont raiders were commanded by Lieut. Bennett H. Young. Twenty-three persons were concerned in this raid. The amount taken from the banks was $223,000.

Richmond, October 26.—New York papers and the Baltimore *American* of the evening of the 24th are received:

Telegrams from Kansas City give a confused account of a battle between Price's army and the Yankees under Rosecrans, Curtis, Smith and Pleasanton.

The fight occured between Little Blue River and Independence.

The latest telegram claims a Yankee victory and says Price is reported recrossing rapidly south, pursued by Pleasanton.

Among the Confederates killed in Todd, of Missouri.

Lincoln declines to interfere with Andy Johnson's test oath.

There is no later intelligence from Sherman The steamer Nashville, a blockade runner, with 500 bales of cotton, has captured.

GOLD IN NEW YORK.—Our agent sent us the reports of the gold market on the 24th—one by the Fung Shuey, which left at 1 P. M., 211½; and another by the Golding Star, dated 2:20 P. M., 213¾. As the Golding Star left at 9 P. M., the latter report is probably a better index to the tendency of the market, which, according to the latest advices via the South, had advanced to 216 on the 25th.

COTTON BURNED.—By the arrival of the Gray Eagle from Vicksburg this morning, we learn that a party of Guerillas came into Grand Gulf on Wednesday last, 24th inst., and burnt 37 bales of cotton belonging to Mr. J. Hennings, and then decamped. The gunboat stationed at that point was about a short distance below.

MONETARY AND FINANCIAL.

SEE OFFICE.

MONDAY EVENING, October 31, 1864.

The correspondence of the New York steamers was not of a character to have any material influence on the general market, the business of which was transacted to day by a steady and healthy demand, which fell nearly throughout business hours. There was, however, some enquiry for our leading staple which closed at 1 P. M. at 99@99¼ for low middling to strict middling, and @1 19@@1 19 for middling to strict middling, which is not only below the views of holders generally but is one of the prices realized some days of last week. Later accounts from New York, reported an advance in gold to 2 per cent per dollar, but still not quotable market, gold being variously quoted at the close at 216 and 218. We have no desire to report in error as a basis for definite quotations. Nothing was reported in Wall street. Prices per 100 for American bank dollars and sub 20 @20 Mexican dollars are quoted nominal at 84 @ ——.

The Market for Domestic Exchange was at about the Monday, extremely dull without any quotable change in rates. The Banks maintained to check on New York at par, and the enquiry for the same was of a limited demand. In the outside market we noticed sales at 1,000 New York sight at ½ per cent premium, and some one day's sight at ½ per cent premium. Checks on the U. S. Treasury at Washington are quoted at 2½ per cent discount.

Foreign Exchange was higher, the Banks refusing to sell Sterling at less than 2½ at which rate of there drew a limited amount. There was some demand for Southern bills at 2½, but they could not be found. 60's were sold for private (Richmond) bills held