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### Return to the Union—Public Meeting.

In pursuance of a call of Council for a public meeting of the citizens of Columbia and Richland District, with the view to the restoration of the State of South Carolina to the United States, a large and respectable assemblage took place at the City Hall, yesterday morning.

Resolved, That the citizens of Columbia and Richland District, respectfully request his Excellency Andrew Johnson, President of the United States, to take such measures as will lead to an early restoration of the State of South Carolina to her former relations with her sister States of the Federal Republic, and as will restore her people to the enjoyment of their civil and political rights in the Union and under the Constitution and laws thereof, and remit them at an early day to the prosecution of their wonted industrial pursuits.

Resolved, That a committee of twenty-one be appointed to communicate the foregoing application in such manner as they may find most proper and convenient.

Resolved, That our fellow-citizens of the other Districts in the State, are earnestly invited to take early action for the attainment of the above object, and that the committee appointed under the second resolution are authorized to act as a committee of correspondence with them whenever it may be desirable.

The following gentlemen constitute the committee appointed under the second resolution: C. R. Bryce, John Caldwell, Dr. John Fisher, M. C. Mordecai, A. L. Hunt, Jacob Lyons, E. J. Arthur, Capt. W. B. Stanly, Wm. Gilmore Simms, John Townsend, Wm. F. De Saussure, E. J. Scott, J. A. Crawford, E. L. Kerrison, J. McKenzie, A. R. Taylor, W. H. Scarborough, H. Leiding, C. H. Baldwin, C. A. Bedell, J. M. Blakely.—Columbia Phoenix.

JEFF. DAVIS' FEMALE GARMENTS.—The Secretary of War has promised that if the historical female garments, including the boots, worn by Jeff. Davis at his capture are received in time at the War Department, they shall be forwarded to Chicago for exhibition at the great fair for the Sanitary Commission and Soldier's Home.

Mail communication has been reopened between Memphis and Mississippi, along the line of the Mississippi and Tennessee Railroad. The people of North Mississippi have been "out in the world" nearly four years.

CAMDEN, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21.

The Union Prayermeeting will be held on Friday evening next at five o'clock, at the Baptist Church.

CORN! CORN!! CORN!!!—Two hundred bushels corn may be purchased by making immediate application at this office.

If the gentleman who presumed to enter our sanctum during the editor's absence, and feloniously and without the fear of God or man before his eyes, take copies of exchange papers, from our table, will return the same without delay, no questions will be asked, but will forever after be debarred the privilege of our exchange—unless this *amende honorable* be presented for our consideration.

Such papers are only presented us through the courtesy of friends, who may have been abroad, and who expect us to return the same. Hence their being filched from our premises without permission, frequently places us in an awkward and unpleasant position. We are pleased to have gentlemen enjoy the perusal of any papers we may have on hand, but dislike much their appropriating them in our absence, and being ashamed to return them when needed.

### Financial.

We clip the following from the financial and commercial article of the New York Herald, of the 2d inst.

Gold, which opened at 136 3/8 yesterday morning, closed firm on the street at 137 3/8, and the purchases for shipment on Saturday have for the most part yet to be made. Cash gold is, however, abundant, and freely lent without interest. The war being ended, speculation can do little to control the premium; but the European news will exert a temporary influence upon it from time to time, which, speculation may assist somewhat. It is unfortunate in its practical consequences that our securities ever found their way into European market, for the holders have the power at any time to derange the course of our exchanges, and thereby affect the price of gold, while they are already a constant source of financial disturbance. Eventually they must influence the course of exchange against us to the extent of their value, which is at present nearly double what it was when a large portion of them were sent home, and the difference between their specie value at the time of their export and their return, or redemption, will be so much against us, and a dead loss to the country. Many of our securities now in Europe were purchased when gold was worth from 37 to 40 cents on the dollar only. Supposing the three hundred millions, more or less, of fifties held abroad to have been bought here at par, with gold at an average of two hundred, making the currency dollar worth fifty cents, it would cost us just double, or three hundred millions for what we received only a hundred and fifty millions to redeem the same on a specie basis. Where the debt is held at home this difference is comparative immaterial, because its redemption would not affect our foreign exchanges, whereas a contrary effect is produced in the other case. There are other evils to which we are exposed by having a large amount of our national securities held abroad, one of which is the possibility of a sudden return of heavy parcels of them for sale here. This is certainly not a contingency to be apprehended under ordinary circumstances; but it would be a very possible one in the event of our being threatened with a foreign war; or if a commercial panic occurred in Europe; for the latter would realize upon their foreign securities, in which case this market would be a convenient one to draw upon. And with only forty-six millions of gold in the banks of

the loyal States and the Sub-Treasury in this city, how could we meet the drain?

If an anti-taxation party arises it will be likely to take the form of a conflict of labor against capital, by the majority calling for every citizen to contribute to the revenue and the payment of the principal of the debt, in proportion to his or her substantial wealth; and the blow will be aimed chiefly at real estate owners. Labor, in other words, will strive to emancipate itself from the yoke of taxation by making capital pay the debt; and it would not be surprising if the next Congressional as well as Presidential election turned upon this issue.

The prospects of the speedy conversion of all but seven of the old banks of this city to the national system points to a large increase of paper money, by which aggregate circulation of the national banks will soon be raised to a sum not far short of the three hundred millions authorized by the act of Congress. The amount of currency issued to national institutions up to the 27th of the last month was \$132,472,600, leaving \$167,527,310 still to issued.

### Marriage of Negroes to be Encouraged.

The following general order has been issued. It is eminently proper that negroes living together as man and wife should be married and should be held responsible for their conduct towards one another, and for the care and support of their children:

HEADQ'RS MILITARY DIVISION OF THE JAMES, RICHMOND, VA., May 27, 1865.

[General Orders, No. 8.]

I. The attention of clergymen and magistrates who are authorized by the laws of Virginia and North Carolina to perform marriage ceremonies is respectfully called to the cases of colored men and women in their respective parishes and districts who have martial relations without contracting martial obligations.—Such persons should be duly instructed in regard to their social and domestic duties, and especially in regard to their duty to support and educate their offspring. They must be made to understand that the laws of God, as well as the laws of their country, forbid their living together as man and wife without the solemnization of marriage.

II. Military orders in regard to oaths and license to be taken before marriage will not be deemed applicable to colored persons, nor to those who marry them, unless a fee be charged, nor will any formalities be required which are not necessary for the completion of a civil contract of marriage by the laws of the State.—All such marriages, however, should be duly registered and a proper certificate given to the parties. It is recommended that all fees in such cases be remitted, and all unnecessary expenses discouraged.

III. It is hoped that all persons interested in ameliorating the condition of the colored race, and in improving their social character, will use their influence in promoting the object in view.

By order of Major General HALLECK, J. C. KELTON, Assistant Adjutant General.

MILITARY.—A Washington despatch states that Surgeon General Barnes has been breveted Major Gen. in the regular army; also, that Gen. Logan will be tendered a Brigadier-Generalship in the regular service, and assigned to an important command in Texas service.

### The Freedmen's Bureau.

Gen. O. O. Howard, having been assigned to the bureau of refugees, freedmen and abandoned lands, has issued his first bulletin as follows:

FREEDMEN'S BUREAU, WASHINGTON, D. C., May 16, 1865.

CIRCULAR LETTER.—In accordance with General Orders of the War Department, No. 91, I enter immediately upon the duties of Commissioner of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands. The bureau, contemplated in order, will be located at the corner of I and Nineteenth-streets. All commissions, however appointed, who have charge of freedmen, are requested to report as soon as possible of the character and extent of their work. The Commissions or Superintendents in Virginia, South Carolina and Louisiana are requested to report direct to me the amount of land they may have under supervision for their use. The Department Commanders in the insurrectionary States will do me the favor of transmitting a copy of the different orders issued by themselves or by their District Commanders relating to the government and the employment of freedmen. While it shall be my object to secure as much uniformity as possible in the matter of employment and instruction of freedmen, I earnestly solicit co-operation from all officers and agents whose position or duty renders it possible for them to aid me. The negro should understand that he is really free, but on no account, if able to work, should he harbor the thought that the Government will support him in idleness.

O. O. HOWARD, Major-General, Commissioner of Freedmen's Bureau.

Ten guerillas were hung by the citizens in Northern Georgia, a few days ago.

### OBITUARY.

DIED, in Camden, on the 8th inst., in the 12th year of her age, ELLEN LEDWIDGE, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. JOHN P. REED, of Charleston. It is hard to realize that our dear little friend has passed away from us forever. She was a bright, intelligent child—conscientiously performing her duty at school, and making rapid progress in all her studies. Of a sweet, amiable disposition, her school-mates were much attached to her. Many days must pass ere we cease to feel painfully the void left by her gentle spirit.

### Special Notices.

#### CIRCULAR.

HEADQUARTERS U. S. FORCES, CAMDEN, S. C. June 19, 1865.

I. THAT IT IS OPTIONAL WITH WOMEN whether they take the Oath of Allegiance to the United States Government or not, but if they expect to hold property, they must do so.

II. Paroled Officers and Soldiers below the rank of Brigadier General have again the right to take the Oath of Allegiance to the United States Government; and all who do not do so will be considered as a registered Enemy of the United States, and have no right to claim any protection from the United States.

By order of Capt. C. W. FERGUSON, 25th Regiment O. V. V. Inf't. Commanding Post.

### School Books.

A SMALL COLLECTION OF GREEK, LATIN and English School Books, well bound, and most of them as good as new, will be sold low. A catalogue may be seen by applying to C. J. PEGUES.

Also, for sale, a Guitar, with case, in good order and well toned, nearly new. June 21