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FRIDAY MORNING, MAY 3, 1861.

ADDITIONAL SALES THIS DAY.

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A PROGRAMME OF WAR.

Since the sudden conversion of the New York Herald, its tone is as warlike and truculent as that of any of the regular old chronic abolition organs which have fought the fight from the beginning.

Here is the Herald's latest proclamation and programme of war:

To dispense the revolutionary forces threatening Washington, Maryland and Virginia should at once be made to feel the pressure of two hundred thousand bayonets, and the first day of the North is open to our high and mighty Washington by land and water.

The above is good. We like to hear the enemy talk that way. Admiring bravery and boldness, it is consolatory to us to hear brave words, even though they be uttered by a hypocrite.

The Herald will not be guilty of the absurdity of asserting such a thing, because it knows better and has frequently so declared. We would like to know what sort of Government that would be, which had to keep a guard all the time over the people of all the Southern States, to prevent them from rising at any moment in rebellion against the central authority.

This attempt to put down the South by fire and the sword is one of the most odious and incomprehensible things that ever occurred in the history of the world. If the case were reversed—if it were the North which had seceded from the Union, and set up a Government for itself, the South, so far from objecting, would have hailed it as an immeasurable blessing and relief.

There is no justice in this, no liberty, no humanity, no Christianity, no sense. It is the silliest and most ridiculous enterprise ever undertaken by a Government professing to be founded on the principles of the Declaration of Independence.

The Northern programme comprehends the subjection of not Maryland and Virginia alone, but every other Southern State. Eight millions of people are to be put down by the sword, and kept down. Assuming that the value of each section is equal, it will require eight millions of Northern troops, permanently stationed all through the Southern States, to prevent fresh uprisings.

According to Lincoln, Seward & Co.'s proclamation, we ought to expect the appearance of some of the vessels of the Baltic or many days pass. We ought to expect to hear of the British fleet from Halifax in a few days. The fleet would have been in our waters before this, but the British Minister at Washington did not think that Lincoln, Seward & Co. were such consummate fools as to issue a manifesto purporting to blockade two lines of steamers in any extent, with only a dozen vessels to enforce it.

The liberality of many of our merchants in granting leave of absence to their clerks and assistants to serve in the army, has been highly applauded, particularly where salaries are continued and situations retained. Some few exceptions are talked of, where volunteering in the glorious cause of the South has been attended with dismissal. These, we are happy to learn, are few and far between.

The committee appointed to collect funds for the volunteers have been highly successful. In looking over the list we find sums from \$25 to \$250, and it is worthy remark that that an eminent cotton factor, who ought to have given five hundred dollars—the sum that he gave to a Bible Society some few years ago—put his name down for the meagre amount of twenty-five dollars, paid it to the collector, which the committee refused to receive, and returned the factor his twenty-five dollars. We do not envy the party his feelings, if he is susceptible of any, on this occasion.

Talking of subscriptions for military purposes, support and relief of families, we are reminded of the contrast between one city and New York. In New York merchants and capitalists are subscribing for the purchase of arms, and the insurance and outfit of volunteers, and the names of the donors are published in the newspapers. In New Orleans, the names of the donors are not published, and the contributions are not so numerous.

We would call the attention of persons and of merchants to the fact that the names of the donors are not published in the newspapers, and that the contributions are not so numerous as in New York.

CHARGE, UNDER THE GUNS OF FORT TAYLOR.

She sails to-day for Pensacola with a number of mechanics from Fort Taylor.

The materials of the British bark Phoenix have been sold by auction, for \$1,000.

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HAVANA CORRESPONDENCE.

Mr. Editor.—The Spanish screw steamer Benicazul returned to this port from St. Domingo 20th inst. She had touched at St. Jago de Cuba on her way hither, and does not, as far as I have been able to learn, bring any later intelligence from the West Indies.

I met in this city a few days ago an "African" (free colored), in the uniform of a Bombers (Fireman) "Bombers" here are a sort of volunteer military organization, consisting chiefly of negroes and mulattoes. They do not receive any pay, but possess certain privileges, among which is an exemption from being called for military duty before the civil tribunals.

On Friday, 19th inst., a colored man on horseback, accompanied by a woman, called on the Bay street, (opposite the walls of this city) when a train was passing. He was, however, not quick enough to get out of the way, and was struck by the train, but strange to relate, the man escaped unscathed.

I learn from a reliable source that five hundred thousand dollars had been received during the same period last year have been received for duties at the Custom house of this city. It is not known how much of this sum has been expended for the various purposes of the Government.

The President's Message, the conclusion of which we published yesterday, is a document which will attract attention for its plain and perspicacious style, and for the manner in which it sets forth the difficulties between the Southern Confederacy and the United States. The President shows the origin and progress of the crisis which the North has made to put the ban of infamy, social and political, upon the unmercifully weaker section, the South, and his discussion of the false dogmas of the North that superior allegiance is due to the States Government, and that the States are not amenable and conclusive. The old doctrines of the founders of the Republic, already overturned by the North, are still held by the Confederate States as the only sound basis of a Republican Government.

We need not refer specially to the various suggestions and recommendations of the Message, except to say that the Government at Montgomery is in the hands of men who are bending all their energies to the service of the country, and whose interests are marked by the most far-seeing and comprehensive statesmanship.

It will be observed that the President protests that he is for peace, as he has been all the time, the moment the independence of the Confederate States was secured. The instant that the Government of the United States abandons its pretension that we are to be reduced by force of arms to subjection, "the sword will drop from our grasp, and we shall be ready to enter into treaties of amity and commerce."

If the people of the North were not blinded and misled by the false promises of the Government, they would not have taken the course which they have pursued. They would not have taken the course which they have pursued. They would not have taken the course which they have pursued.

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DEED.

On Wednesday, 1st inst., at 10 o'clock P. M., ALBERT V. BERNETT, aged 18 years, son of Louis E. and A. V. Bernett.

The said Albert V. Bernett, of the County of Orleans, Louisiana, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the will of the said Albert V. Bernett, as the same appears from the records of the said County of Orleans, Louisiana.

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To Military Companies!

Just received, a large invoice of SUPERIOR COAL OIL SIDE LAMPS, DRILL ROOMS, THE BEST ARTICLE FOR USE IN THIS CITY.

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Merchants' Hotel.

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