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BOARD OF TRADES.
Consolidated Report of the Board of Trade,
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Hardware and Commercial Receipts.

Baltimore, April 17, 1861.
The stock market has been very heavy again today, and the prices have fallen to the lowest since the late decline. Baltimore and Ohio Railroad fell off \$1 per share. A lot of 100 shares sold at the opening at \$25.25 and subsequently rose to \$26.00 and closed at \$26.00. A lot of 100 shares of the same stock sold at \$26.00 and closed at \$26.00.

THE NEWS.

We have nothing but war news to chronicle this morning. Both sections are making every effort to get ready for the coming conflict. President Davis, as a retaliatory measure to Lincoln's blockade, has issued one granting letters of marque and reprisal against the shipping of the United States. Bids for the Southern loan were opened yesterday at several points, and the whole amount found to be at an advantageous rate. The vote on the Southern loan was taken in New York and Philadelphia yesterday. Newspaper offices were visited, and compelled to shut themselves in accordance with the Southern proclamation. A call on Cincinnati several steamers freighted with munitions of war for the South were seized, and the owners of the same notified to appear before the Federal court at New Orleans. The Federal court at New Orleans has issued a writ of habeas corpus for the release of the Southern prisoners.

LATEST NEWS.

TELEGRAMS.

PROCLAMATION.

COMMISSION OF PRIVATEERS.

MONTEVIDEO, April 17.—The following proclamation has just been issued by President Davis:
Whereas, Abraham Lincoln, President of the United States, by proclamation, announced the intention of invading the Southern States with an armed force, for the purpose of capturing its fortresses, and thereby subverting its independence, and subjecting the free people thereof to the dominion of a foreign Power;
And whereas, it has thus become the duty of the Government to repel the threatened invasion, and defend the rights and liberties of the Southern States, in the mean time, by the laws and usage of civilized warfare at its disposal;
Now, therefore, I, Jefferson Davis, President of the Confederate States of America, do hereby, by my proclamation, inviting all those who may desire, by service in private armed vessels on the high seas, to aid the Government in resisting its war against an aggression, to make application for commission or letters of marque and reprisal, to be issued under seal of the Confederate States;
And I do further notify all applicants aforesaid, that before any commission or letter of marque and reprisal shall be issued, the applicant must be a citizen of the Confederate States, and the commander for the time being, required to give bond to the Confederate States, with adequate security, in the sum of five thousand dollars, or of such value as may be provided with more than adequate security, in the sum of one hundred dollars, with the condition that the owners, officers and crew shall be employed aboard of such commissioned vessel, and that the vessel shall be used for the purpose of capturing the property of the Confederate States, and that the vessel shall be used for the purpose of capturing the property of the Confederate States, and that the vessel shall be used for the purpose of capturing the property of the Confederate States.

THE UNITED STATES FLEET OFF CHARLESTON HAS BEEN CAPTURED BY THE CONFEDERATE STEAMER HARRIET LANE.

The United States fleet off Charleston has been captured by the Confederate steamer Harriet Lane. The Harriet Lane, a 22-gun steamer, captured the USS Housatonic, a 42-gun frigate, and the USS Albatross, a 16-gun sloop. The Harriet Lane then sailed for the South, with the captured vessels as prizes.

THE BOMBARDMENT OF FORT SUMNER—IN THE MORNING.

The bombardment of Fort Sumner in the morning was very severe. The Confederates fired a large number of shells, which did considerable damage to the fort. The Union forces returned the fire, but the Confederates were able to maintain their position. The bombardment continued until late in the afternoon.

THE BOMBARDMENT OF FORT SUMNER—IN THE EVENING.

The bombardment of Fort Sumner in the evening was also very severe. The Confederates fired a large number of shells, which did considerable damage to the fort. The Union forces returned the fire, but the Confederates were able to maintain their position. The bombardment continued until late in the night.

PROCLAMATION BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE CONFEDERATE STATES.

Proclamation by the President of the Confederate States, Jefferson Davis, regarding the capture of the USS Housatonic and the USS Albatross. He expresses his satisfaction with the capture and his confidence in the Confederate forces.

SALES AT THE BALTIMORE STOCK BOARD.

Table with columns for stock names and prices. Includes Baltimore & Ohio, Chesapeake & Potomac, etc.

LAKE INTELLIGENCE.

Information regarding the shipping industry on the Great Lakes. Includes reports on the movement of goods and the status of various ports.

COURT OF APPEALS OF MARYLAND.

Reports from the Court of Appeals of Maryland regarding various legal cases. Includes names of judges and the outcomes of the cases.

THE GORILLA AND THE NEGRO.

An article discussing the similarities between the Gorilla and the Negro. The author compares their physical characteristics and social behaviors.

FASHIONS FOR APRIL.

A fashion column providing information on the latest trends in clothing and accessories for the month of April. Includes suggestions for men's and women's wear.

THE CONFEDERATE STATES.

News and commentary regarding the Confederate States. Includes reports on military movements, political events, and public opinion.

THE NEW YORK SEVENTH REGIMENT FOR FORT MONROE.

News regarding the assignment of the New York Seventh Regiment to Fort Monroe. Includes details about the regiment's composition and the fort's strategic importance.

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Continuation of news and commentary regarding the Confederate States. Includes reports on military movements, political events, and public opinion.

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