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WEDNESDAY MORNING, DEC. 17, 1862.

We republish, this morning, on our first page, General Order No. 23, for the benefit of our merchants, as many wish to see it, and our first edition containing it has been exhausted.

THE CUMBERLAND RIVER.—The copious rain that drenched this locality Monday, and Monday night last, has produced no visible change in the stage of the river. A small rise would be a great relief to us at present. We need coal, and a thousand other necessities that we cannot get until the Cumberland is navigable. We long to see the banks full, and fleets of boats, laden with merchandise of every description, come sailing into port. Everything is rising here—except the river.

THE WEATHER.—The four seasons have been pretty well represented here in the last three or four days. At present, hot stoves, big fires and warm overcoats, are necessary to the comfort of every one. It is clear, but very cold.

Notwithstanding the cold weather, the attendance at the theatre was again very large last night. The bill for to-night is "RICHARD III." with a good cast. We expect to see another crowded house.

SENSIBLE MAN.—A successful business man who has tried it, writes with regard to advertising—"Give me the field when few advertisers occupy it, and I care not how hard the times are. It pays me at all times, and especially it pays me when most of the business men in my line have taken their looks out of the water, thinking to bites are to be had." That is the truth exactly. As well might a fish swim without fins, a woman talk without a tongue, or a dog bark without wagging his tail, as for a man to make money in these days without advertising.

LATE PAPERS.—We are indebted to Messrs. HARRIS & CO., TROUBADAIL, SINGLETON, BLAIR & SNYDER, Wm. COLLIER, and the Adams Express Co. for files of late papers.

BUSINESS AGENCY.—We omitted, on yesterday morning to call attention to the advertisement of our old friend, W. MAY BROWN, who has in connection with an estimable young gentleman, opened a house on Cherry street, as agents for selling or buying real estate, renting houses, collecting of debts, and almost any other business of an honorable nature, that may require the services of a third party. Any person having any business in their line to transact, cannot do better than by placing it in their hands.

Grocery Auction Sale.
B. F. SHIELDS & Co., will sell on Wednesday, December 17th, (this morning) a large consignment of Salt, Candles, Soap, Indigo, Nails, Saleratus, Soda, Starch, Pepper, Spice, and great varieties. [dec-17. B. F. SHIELDS & CO.]

Auction Sale.
M. L. ALEXANDER will sell on Wednesday next, without reserve, DeLanes, Gingham, DeBeiges, Merinos, Flannels all wool, Boots, Shoes, and Hats, with a variety of other goods, such as Handkerchiefs, Thread, Buttons and Combs. No. 71 Public Square, Nashville, Tenn. dec.16/62-24.

Back numbers of all the Weekly Papers and Monthly Magazines, as well as the current numbers of all Standard Periodicals, can be had at moderate prices of BLAIR & SNYDER, dec. 16-1w. 29 Cedar Street.

UNCURRENT MONEY, GOLD and SILVER, bought and sold at the Insurance, Exchange and Banking Office of W. J. MAHR, corner of College and Union streets, Nashville, Tennessee. if.

LONDON A DEN OF CRIMINALS.—The British metropolis has for some time past been kept in a constant state of alarm by the boldness with which the criminal classes have pursued their avocation. Not only have the suburbs been infested with a set of daring burglars, but in the most public thoroughfare the garrotter has carried on his murderous work, even in the afternoon. Nervous citizens arm themselves to the teeth when they venture abroad after dark—the streets, to use the language of one of the police magistrates, being as unsafe as a tiger's den.

A Dolorous Vice-President.

Another speech of the rebel Vice-President Stephens has reached us. It was made some weeks ago at Crawfordsville, Ga. If the inhabitants of that place have no more cheerful amusement than their Vice-President afforded them in his remarks, their life cannot be termed jolly. The hopefulness, the occasional sallies of humor, the confident predictions of success which have characterized his previous speeches are wholly wanting in his Crawfordsville address. In his famous "corner-stone" speech, he thought that "slavery must become the controlling power of the continent, and that the border States would be compelled to join their fortunes to the great principle" on which the confederacy was established. In his speech at Richmond on the 22d of April, 1861, he declared that "the mountains of Tennessee were on fire," that "Kentucky would soon be out of the Union," that "Missouri would soon add another star to the southern galaxy," "Where Maryland is," he said, "you all know the first blood has been shed upon her soil, and Virginia will never stand by and see her citizens shot down." "He had reason to believe that the creator smiled" on their cause. "The conflict may be terrible, but the victory will be ours." At Atlanta, eight days later, he declared, "We can call out a million of people, if we need be; and when they are cut down, we can call out another, and still another, until the last man of the South finds a bloody grave. But a triumphant victory and independence, with an unparalleled career of glory, prosperity and progress await us in the future. God is on our side, and who shall be against us?" Again, at Atlanta, May 23, he declared over and over that they were prepared for the issue, however bloody and prolonged the war might be. And in his great speech of July 11th, at Augusta, when he endeavored to obtain subscriptions to the cotton loan, he said that "one thing is certain, in some way or other the blockade will be obliged to be raised, or there will be revolution in Europe."

His last speech is pitched in altogether a different key. It is a jeremiad. It is a wail. It is a groan. It begins with a growl at the contractors, speculators, and extortioners. He then dwells briefly on the magnitude of the war, "the greatest of any since the birth of Christ." He next proceeds to consider where the responsibility and guilt of the fearful war belong. He says "it is wholly immaterial considering the question of right and justice now to look any further than the solemn act of the south." That is, in seeking where to fix the responsibility and guilt of the war we are not to ask whether the States did right or wrong, whether they had any justification or not for their course. Enough that acting in their sovereign capacity, they adopted ordinances of secession. Is not that fine reasoning? But we grant that it is the best the case admits of. He of course concludes that the north is to blame for the war, since the north opposed the southern States. To what extremity is even so able a man as Stephens driven in his vain attempt to justify the south?

We find nowhere in the speech any of those predictions which we have quoted above, about the gravitation of the border States to the south, nothing about the raising of the blockade, no high declaration of hope and cheer. But looking to the prospect of failure, he closes with these sad words: "Let the world know, and history record the fact, it such should be our unhappy fate, that though our country may be invaded, our land laid waste, our cities sacked, our property destroyed, the people of the south could die in defence of their rights, but they could never be conquered."

No gleam of light does he let in upon the darkness. Sullen desperation is the spirit which speaks from every sentence that he utters. If he has any expectation of ultimate success, if he looks for the brilliant results which he so confidently foretold a year and a half ago, he certainly said nothing which could inspire the good people of Crawfordsville with the belief that he hoped for a speedy or fortunate termination of the war.—*Providence Journal.*

Commodore Porter.
The tars down at Cairo seem anxious to be off. A correspondent of the Chicago Times thus speaks of PORTER, who is to command the fleet:

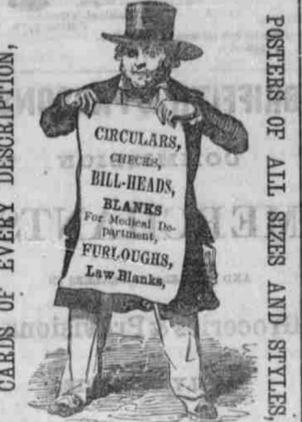
The present commander of the squadron is obstinate on this point. He always insists that he is ready for duty. Thus, when he came West six weeks ago and looked over his fleet, he announced his readiness to go to Vicksburg on 24 hours' notice. He has been just so ready ever since. He will have no important movement waiting for him. If he has not forty boats with five thousand men ready for action, he will move with what he has, if it is but ten boats and twelve hundred men. And he will fight with the small force just as energetically, and with just as much determination to win, and expectation of succeeding, as with the large force. While he quietly provides for all emergencies, he never permits his men to see the smallest calculation for defeat.

EMU'S EGGS.—Among the recent curiosities brought from Australia to London are three eggs of emu, a mammoth bird somewhat similar to the ostrich. The shells of these eggs are hard as flint, of a dark green color, and are used by the natives for drinking cups. The settlers procure them, and mount them with gold and silver for use as table bowls, cups, etc. Those in England are as large as a good sized melon.

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Quarterly Return of Clothing, &c.,
Quarterly Return of Ordnance, &c.,
Provision Returns,
DISCHARGE BLANKS,
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&c., &c., &c.

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By Telegraph.

(Special Telegraph to the "Nashville Union.")

MIDNIGHT DESPATCHES.

The Army of the Potomac Recrosses the Rappahannock.

Heavy Loss in Franklin's Division.

LOUISVILLE, Nov. 16.—The Army of the Potomac has recrossed the Rappahannock into Falmouth with all their wounded and took up the pontoon bridge.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 16.—It is reported that a large fleet was seen entering Cape Fear river.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF POTOMAC, Dec. 16, 1862.—The whole number of killed, wounded, and missing in Franklin's grand division was five thousand nine hundred and thirty-two. There was no fighting since Saturday.

A Dying Rebel Takes the Oath of Allegiance.

Among the inmates of the general hospital, a short time ago, was a Georgia soldier. He is now dead. He was formerly a resident of this State. He resided in Georgia when the war broke out. Carried away by the universal sentiment of the town in which he lived, he raised a company and made war upon the old flag.

He signaled himself in point of courage, and was left upon the battle field by retreating comrades with two bullets in his body. In company with the loyal wounded, he was brought to Philadelphia and placed in the hospital. It was soon ascertained that his days were numbered. Every kindness extended to Union soldiers was shared with him. He could not believe, however, that he must necessarily die from his wounds. To visitors he conversed upon the subject of the rebellion, and declared himself sorry that he had ever abetted it. On the morning of his death he for the first time felt approaching dissolution. He was asked if he would have a minister to attend him.

"No."

"Would you not like some pious person to pray with you?"

"Thank you, no."

"Is there anything we can do to aid you in preparing for this solemn hour?"

"There is. I am dying. Send for a justice of the peace immediately."

"Certainly. What do you want with him?"

"To take the oath of allegiance."

"The oath of allegiance in your present condition!" exclaimed his surprised friends.

"Yes," said he, "I want to take the oath of allegiance. The Lord knows my heart. I am well aware, but I don't want it to be said I went to the Almighty a rebel."

This singular wish was gratified. An alderman administered the oath. A few hours afterward the soul of the repentant Confederate soldier was with Him who gave it.—*Philadelphia North American.*

CORRESPONDENCE BETWEEN HENRY A. WISE AND GEN. KEYES.—Interesting correspondence has recently passed between Henry A. Wise and Gen. Keyes, relative to the treatment of lunatics in the Asylum at Williamsburg, Va. Gen. Wise assumes that these unfortunates were cruelly treated by the Union officers, and makes complaint of the same, appealing to the commiseration of Gen. Keyes, to pay respect to those "charities and afflictions so sacred that States and God can only deal with them with proper care, and such are always safe kept from all intrusion;" and, in behalf of Virginia, speaking for "her little ones," to no lower authority than "that of Heaven to Christianity." Gen. Keyes replies that no harm was done, or intended to be done, to the inmates of the Asylum; but that, on the contrary, every comfort was extended to them by our surgeons and other officers, and he adds: "In regard to the arbitration of that higher tribunal, to which you refer, Heaven shield us! Who knows which deserves the greater pity, the poor lunatic in the Asylum at Williamsburg, or the men who have made the war?"

A NOTORIOUS TRAITOR REBUKED.—After a recent speech of Vallandigham at Mansfield, Ohio, three gentlemen entered an omnibus to ride to the railroad station. One of them asked his companion, "Did you hear Vallandigham?" "No," was the indignant reply, "it would be more creditable to listen to Jeff. Davis himself than to that contemptible traitor Vallandigham!" Here a stranger sitting in the omnibus started up, and putting on a severe look, and an extra amount of dignity, said fiercely: "I am Mc. Vallandigham!" "It don't make a bit of difference," firmly replied the gentleman, "I have nothing to take back." The defeated secession Congressman wilted.

A gentleman from Iowa has obtained a patent for making wine from sorghum, which is said by connoisseurs at Washington to be equal to Madeira. It can be made so as to be sold for twenty-five cents per gallon. A fine quality of rum is also made from the same product.

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DR. KING, formerly of New York, for the last four years of Louisville, Ky., and who has devoted his attention to the treatment of private diseases for 20 years; having attended to a practice for so many years, and cured so many thousands, he is enabled to cure all diseases of a private nature, no matter how long they may be from injudicious medical treatment, or from neglect of their own. Dr. King's Dispensary is No. 23 Deaderick street, between Cherry and the Spruce, second story, where he cures all diseases of a private nature.

Gen. Keyes cured without poisonous medicines or interference with business. Structures of old or recent date effectually cured in a few days, by an operation which causes no pain. Where a stricture exists health cannot be enjoyed. Perhaps no disease causes more mischief and indolence than the constitution as a whole. Syphilis, with all the diseases of the skin, growing out of neglect or bad treatment, can be effectually cured in a few days. Gonorrhoea, with all the consequences growing out of it, brought on in many cases by the defective habits of immoderate youths, and excessive indulgence of the passions, a neglect of which will undermine the constitution, rendering the subject unfit for business or society, and causing premature old age. Persons who may be laboring with any difficulty of the womb may rest assured of immediate relief. Persons residing abroad, by writing and stating their cases, with a fee enclosed, direct to Dr. A. King, No. 23 Deaderick street, Nashville, Tenn., will have the necessary medicines sent to their address. Office hours from 9 o'clock in the morning until 9 in the evening. (July 16—1w daily.)

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WESTERN AGENCY, LANDRETH'S WARRANTED GARDEN SEEDS, (At Philadelphia prices.) Flower, Field and Grass Seeds, Fruit Trees, Shade Trees and Shrubberies, OF ALL KINDS, Farm Implements and Machinery.

SEEDS BY MAIL: Postage 1 Cent per ounce. Send your orders. F. A. SCHWELL, Seedsman, No. 44 Symons street, near Pearl, CINCINNATI, O.

Horse Stolen. FROM IN FRONT OF MR. BARNETT'S RESTAURANT, on College street, at about 9 o'clock P. M. on Friday, a Brown Horse, about 6 years old, with half bands high, six years old, man mane and tail, small, neat head, a little dished, with an officer's saddle, and a light English leather bridled bridle. Any one returning the same to me, will be handsomely rewarded. W. D. HAZEN, Col. Commanding 19th Regt. Dec 6-3w]

Wanted to Hire, A GOOD COOK, WASHING, and IRONING. Enquire at this Office.

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Particular attention will be given to cases arising out of the present war, including the accounts of States, Contractors, and Disbursing Officers of the War and Navy Departments, and for "Collecting, Drilling, and Organizing Volunteers," the reimbursement of which is authorized by an act of Congress; CLAIMS FOR INDEMNITY FOR PRIVATE PROPERTY TAKEN FOR PUBLIC USES, OR FOR DAMAGES TO SUCH PROPERTY, for losses lost in the service, and for Military Pay, Pensions, and Bounty Land.

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All Claims placed in our hands receive our prompt Personal Attention, thereby securing success which, in the hands of an Attorney at any distant point, frequently prove unsuccessful.

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