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ADMIRAL D. G. FARRAGUT.

The arrival of this distinguished naval hero at Fortress Monroe has caused considerable speculation among the people. Although the order has not been promulgated, yet it is known that the Admiral has been assigned to the command of the North Atlantic Blockading Squadron.

Probably the most important movement, and one which will require the most extensive display of naval genius, will be either the closing up of the mouth of the Cape Fear river or the capture of the forts and batteries defending Wilmington, North Carolina, and possibly the occupation of that place.

It is gratifying that Admiral Farragut has been placed at Hampton Roads, near by, as a youthful midshipman, he witnessed his first triumph, under one of the most distinguished naval commanders our country has ever produced.

At Norfolk, the Admiral long knew a pleasant home, and there it was that he obtained the hand of the estimable lady who is now the partner of his cares and triumphs, his sorrows and his joys.

It is a saying in the Navy that Admiral Farragut has a way of working up a great success where ordinary men see nothing but monotonous and disadvantageous strife; and we hope that the adage may prove true in this case, that he will bring order and victory out of the chaos which has heretofore existed to a great extent in the rivers and bays of Eastern Virginia and on the coast of North Carolina.

TAKATION OF PERSONAL ESTATE.

We, in Pennsylvania, under our State laws, tax real estate, and for the most part, exempt personal. Can any one give us a good and sound reason for this distinction? Why one kind of property should bear the whole burden of that charge which is laid by the State or municipality for the purposes of revenue we never could, and believe we never can, understand.

NEWS JOTTINGS.

—There is a wood famine in Montreal. The prices have gone beyond the means of the poor.

—The population of Vermont is 314,093—282,555 native and 32,743 foreign. There are 13 persons in the State over 100 years of age.

—The news of Sheridan's recent victory was received on "Change in Boston with three cheers each for Sheridan, Grant, and Stanton, and nine for Lincoln.

—The Boston Transcript says:—"We venture to say that if the recent freshman class will agree that when they become sophomores they will not 'haze' their freshmen, we shall have little more of this unmanly, petty torture."

—A young man from Chicago, named Merrill, said to be the son of a banker, committed suicide in a saloon at Kalamazoo, Michigan, last week.

—John Halliday, for the past ten years a clerk in the Lynn Post Office, and a teacher in a Sabbath School in that city, was arrested in Boston on Wednesday, while attempting to pass a counterfeit \$100 bill on the Pawtucket Bank, Providence.

—A man on Cape Cod who separated from his wife, some years ago married a second wife, with whom he lived a year and a half, and then died. His first wife took possession of his estate.

—The silver from the Masonic jewels found in the ruins of the Wintrop House in Boston, after the fire several months ago, was sent to the United States Mint, and half-dollar pieces coined from it, which have been sold to the members of the different lodges, amounting, we are told, to the only fifty-cent pieces coined this year.

—A minister, writing to the local committee of arrangements for the meeting of the American Board at Worcester, Massachusetts, requested free accommodations for himself, his wife, and six children.

—The Michigan University has three hundred students in the regular course, three hundred and fifty in the medical school, and two hundred and twenty-one in the law department—a large increase in all.

—The steamer City of Newport was chartered to proceed from Newport to Providence, one Sunday recently, to convey one passenger, a gentleman having urgent business in New York on Monday, and who wished to take the train to Providence on Sunday evening for that city. He probably paid the largest fare for one man ever charged on that route.

—Ellie Littlefield, of Milford, Conn., celebrated her eighty-eighth birthday last week. He has held the appointment of justice of peace from four governors, holding the office for twenty-eight years; has been deputy sheriff eight years, clerk four years, drum major ten years, and a school teacher fourteen years, and lived with his present wife almost sixty-four years.

DOINGS OF THE DRAMA.

NEW CHESTNUT STREET THEATRE.—Mr. William Warren, in a column of another paper, has fully discussed the requirements of a theatre, and is utterly free from misapprehensions, exaggerations, distasteful allusions, and anything else which would detract from the intellectual truth of his opinions. He says, however, that the theatre is a place where the public are to be educated, and that the theatre is a place where the public are to be educated.

It should never be said that Government imposes its whole burden of taxation on any one class of a community, because all other classes manage to elude the imposition of a fair share of the charge against them.

THE TRAP NET FOR IRISHMEN.—The editors and orators who daily and nightly are at work for McCLELLAN are doing a good thing, by driving thousands of Irishmen into the support of LINCOLN and JOHNSON. They have published a letter from his Excellency, WILLIAM FITZMAURICE, the Know-Nothing chief, who asserted that an Irishman had no rights that an American was bound to respect.

THEY daily publish extracts from the London Times, the organ of the English aristocracy, praising McCLELLAN to the skies, and, as far as they dare, commanding the former subjects of the British Crown now resident in this country to vote for the Democratic candidate.

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