

**Gold Still Higher.**

RICHMOND, May 28.

The Herald of the 25th has been received here. It quotes gold at 186.

**Cavalry Fight in Hanover.**

RICHMOND, May 29.

The enemy crossed the Pamunkey river yesterday at Hanover town and Old Church. Hancock's, Dwight's and Burnside's corps have certainly crossed. Warren's is not accounted for. Our army up to this morning had formed no line of battle, but were awaiting the enemy's movements.

There was a considerable cavalry fight at Hall's Shop yesterday, between Lee and Hampton's cavalry and a large force of Yankee cavalry. Our cavalry at first forced the enemy back, but it is now supposed the enemy have gone back in order to draw us on. Late in the evening our cavalry drew off, having lost, it is said, some thirty killed and 75 to 100 wounded; some of them fell into the enemy's hands.

There has been no engagement to-day, and it is supposed the enemy do not intend an immediate attack, but will rely upon inching.

**From Gen. Johnston's Army.**

New Hope, May 29th.

Granbury's brigade was placed in action at five p.m. yesterday to arrest the enemy's attempt to turn our flank. He had no defenses except a few boughs and staves hastily collected by the cavalry which held position as skirmishes before the brigade came up. The engagement immediately became furious and raged with unabated violence until 8 p.m. The enemy's lines advanced within five paces of ours several times, and were, at all points, repulsed. Having no support, the brigade was not allowed to hazard the position by a charge until 12 p.m., when Waldhall's brigade arrived, took position immediately in the rear, the charge was sounded and the brigade swept through the woods retaking three lines of battle without firing a gun and captured many prisoners.

Bertham's regiment of cavalry was detached at five and a half p.m., and sent to the right of Granbury's, which, being outflanked, arrived in time and charged and drove the enemy. Granbury's 36 killed, 120 wounded and five missing. In Granbury's front the enemy left 280 dead on the field and a number of wounded; the dead were all killed by Bertham's Arkansas regiment, which separated from Granbury's line at an interval of a hundred paces. Loss in Granbury's immediate front not less than three hundred killed and 1000 to 1200 wounded, and many captured.

Prisoners report Maj. Gens. Howard and Johnson and Brig. Gen. King wounded. Skirmishing continued until nightfall, the enemy constantly shifting their positions from centre to left.

**Butler Leaving.**

RICHMOND, May 30.

It is reported that Butler's forces are leaving Bermuda Hundreds under the protection of gunboats.

**Grant's Movements.**

RICHMOND, May 30th.

Grant's army is entrenched on the North and West of Talpanoy Creek, their line extending irregularly from the Pamunkey river near Hanover town to Gillman's Mill, on the road from Mechanicsville, to Old Church. A raiding party of cavalry appeared at Hungary Station at one o'clock this morning.

**From Gen. Lee's Army.**

RICHMOND, May 30.

Our troops at 3 o'clock to-day, were reported to be in line of battle in front of Alice's Station, on the Virginia Central Railroad. Perhaps a collision may occur to-morrow. None has taken place to-day.

The enemy have all left Hanover Court House. The army correspondent of the New York World reported captured to-day, with papers on his person, showing that the loss in the 6th, Sedgwick's corps, since the campaign began, is 18,000 or three-fifths of what it started with. The papers found on this correspondent also say that Grant does not mean to fight any more as he has been doing; but it is supposed that he will hereafter rely on entrenchments.

**Siege of Charleston.**

Three Hundred and Fiftieth Day.

The enemy opened Wednesday morning by firing a salute of thirty-four guns, which was repeated at noon, and again at sunset. The cause of this unusual demonstration is believed to have been the recent arrival of a Yankee mail boat from the North, with the announcement of the capture of Richmond. The iron sides were gaily decorated with flags during the day; the other vessels inside the bar and in Stono also displaying the "old flag." The bombardment of the fort has been continued since our last report from the land batteries. Seventy-two shots were fired at the fort during Tuesday night, and thirty-three on Wednesday, up to six o'clock in the evening.

The firing on the city was more rapid than usual. The number of shots fired from 8 A. M. to 6 P. M. Wednesday, was thirty. Another Monitor was towed over the bar Wednesday afternoon, and sailed Southwards. No other change in the fleet.—C. Courier.

**A Prayer of Washington.**

"Almighty Father, if it is Thy Holy will that we shall obtain a peace and name among the nations of the earth, grant that we may be enabled to show our gratitude for Thy goodness by our endeavors to fear and obey Thee.

"Bless us with wisdom in our counsils; success in battle, and let our victories be tempered with humanity. Endow, also, our enemies with enlightened minds, that they may become sensible of their injustice, and will to restore our liberty and peace.

"Grant the petition of Thy servants for the sake of Him who Thou hast called Thy Son. Nevertheless, not our will, but Thine be done. Amen."

**To Claimants.**

All persons having claims against the undersigned as Post Quartermaster at Abingdon, will please present them for payment by the 25th inst. Those contracted since the 25th of March will be paid in the new issue.

N. B. TATE, Capt. & P. Q. M.

For the Virginian.

ELM WOOD, 30th May, 1864.

Messrs. Coale & Barr: Inclosed I send you a letter from L. M. Wilson, Esq., Post Quartermaster for the 13th Congressional District, on the subject of the Tax in Kind on Wool, for the year 1864. The interpretation given the law by Mr. Green, the State Collector, is not in accordance with the views entertained by many others. I hope the subject may be explained by Congress. By a publication of Capt. Wilson's letter, you may save the farmers much trouble.

Yours, in haste, JOS. W. DAVIS.

MARION VA., May 27th, 1864.

Mrs. Jos. W. DAVIS, Abingdon, Va.

Sir—In reply to your communication of the 25th inst., I beg leave to say that the clause in the Act of Congress relating to the tax in kind for 1864, to which you refer, reads as follows: "Neither shall any farmer or planter who does not produce more than ten pounds of wool, or more than fifteen pounds of ginned cotton for each member of the family, be subject to said tax in kind."

The expression "for each member of the family" here used, does not apply to the exemption of wool, but to that of cotton alone. If it did, it would be equivalent to almost a total exemption of wool from taxation.

The law clearly means this: if the quantity of wool produced by any farmer or planter, does not exceed ten pounds, he will not be subject to any tax thereon; but if he produces more than ten pounds, he will be liable to a tax of one-tenth of the whole quantity produced. And if he produces more than fifteen pounds of ginned cotton for each member of the family, he will be liable to the like tax on this article.

Very Respectfully, Your obedient servant,

LEROY M. WILSON, Capt. & P. Q. M. 13th Cong'l Dist.

ABINGDON, VA., June 1st, 1864.

**Personal.**

I take this mode of making public an explanation which I deem due both to Lt. McGuire and myself.

Meeting Lt. McGuire on the street this morning, under positive convictions that he had slandered and insulted me in my absence, and having every reason to believe my information correct, I denounced him as a scoundrel and a false friend. Lt. McG. feeling and expressing his innocence, refused to resent the direct insult, at the same time asking a more deliberate investigation, which I am glad to say has been made to our mutual satisfaction, the result of which reflects no dishonor on Lt. McGuire as a gentleman. Very respectfully,

WM. P. ARMSTRONG.

Married, on the 25th ult., by Rev. N. C. Baldwin, Mr. Wm. C. COPENHAVER, of Smyth county, and Miss ELIZABETH J. PATTERSON, of Washington county.

Died, on the 6th May, at his residence in Russell county, Va., Capt. GEORGE COWAN, in the 72d year of his age; an old and respectable citizen, a good friend and a good neighbour, and one of the most useful men in the community.

**FOR SALE.**

I AM working wounded soldiers manufacturing Horse and Mule Collars, out of Heavy Cotton Cloth, well made, and in good shape. I can furnish the Government a few thousand, by short notice. The price shall be moderate for the times. The nearest Railroad Depot is Hickory Station, Western Railroad, N. C. Address orders to

A. P. GIBSON, Lenoir, N. C.

June 3, 1864—4n\$5.

**TO MORGAN'S MEN.**

OFFER a handsome reward for information of three valuable Horses, belonging to Capt. L. G. Contri, which were sent to Georgia some time since, to Gen. Morgan's Command, and afterwards ordered back to Virginia. One is a splendid black stallion, one a bay mare, and one a sorrel mare. A soldier by the name of Glendestock, I think, had them in charge.

Geo. N. SANDERS, Jr. June 3, 1864—4t

**\$500 REWARD.**

RAN away from the subscriber on the 21st inst., TWO NEGRO BOYS. One named MARSHALL, about 23 years old, about six feet high, weighs 175 pounds, dark color, rather slow of speaking, had on when he left a grayish coat, black jeans pantaloons, a yellowish hat, a pair of boots that had been frosted, one heel with an iron-plate on it, the other run down at the heel and been raised or leveled by nailing on leather with shingle nails, and rode off a very small four year old BAY HORSE, with a half worn saddle.

The other boys, named ALFRED, about six feet high, 20 years old, weighs 165 pounds, a full negro, but not the darkest, spare make, good countenance, and very sprightly, teeth decayed smartly, a scar on the back of one hand, had on when he left a Confederate gray frock coat with brass buttons, with the word "Mississippi" round on the front of them, Yankee blue pants, a broad brim grayish fur hat, a white vest, a pair of old boot feet, badly worn.

The above reward will be given for their delivery to us, or confinement in jail so that we can get them; or \$250 for each of them taken separately.

BRAXTON L. JAMES, MILTON PERKINS. June 6d, 1864—6w

**NOTICE.**

NOTICE is hereby given that I will apply to the Secretary of the Treasury of the Confederate States for the renewal of a certificate issued by the Depository, Abingdon, Va., in the name of William Huff, for \$100, dated March 30, 1864, No. 1048.

WM. HUFF. June 3, 1864—6t

**Washington County, to wit:**

To the Clerk of the County Court of said County: WE, James A. Bailey, Robert M. Hickman and Milton White, three freeholders of said county, do hereby testify, that by virtue of a warrant to us directed by Noble I. McGinnis, a Justice of said county, we have this day, on our oaths, viewed and appraised a Mare taken up by Wm. E. Clark as an stray, and assess the value at \$400. The said mare is 4 years old, a sorrel, about 15 hands high, a star in the face. Given under our hands this 1st day of June, 1864.

JAS. A. BAILEY, R. M. HICKMAN, MILTON WHITE. A Copy.—Teste,

JOHN G. KREGER, c. c. June 3, 1864—3w. Prs. fee \$12.

**VIRGINIA.**—At Rules held in the Clerk's Office of Taxwell Circuit Court, on Monday, the 6th day of May, 1864.

John Mahood and James Mahood, Alexander Mahood, Stephen Mahood, Stephen Rkrudy and Cynthia Ann his wife, Jesse Peery and Angelina his wife, William T. Rosenbaum and Stephen E. Rosenbaum, the last three of whom being infants, sue by James Mahood their next friend, Complainants,

vs. Robert N. Downs and Mary his wife, Elizabeth Mahood and Mary Mahood, Defendants. IN CHANCERY.

The object of this suit is to have partition of the real estate of which James Mahood, dec'd, died seized. And it appearing from an affidavit filed in the cause, that the defendants, Robert N. Downs and Mary his wife, are not inhabitants of this Commonwealth, it is ordered that they appear here within one month from the due publication of this order, and do what is necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

A Copy.—Teste, P. R. SPRACHER, Clk. June 3, 1864—4w

**VIRGINIA.**—At Rules held in the Clerk's Office of Taxwell Circuit Court, on Monday, the 6th day of May, 1864:

Augustus S. Peery, Complainant, vs. William L. Davis, Defendant. IN CHANCERY.

The object of this suit is to recover of the defendant, a debt due to complainant. And it appearing from an affidavit filed in this cause, that the defendant is not an inhabitant of this Commonwealth, it is ordered that he appear here within one month from the due publication of this order, and do what is necessary to protect his interest in this suit.

A Copy.—Teste, P. R. SPRACHER, Clk. June 3, 1864—4w

**VIRGINIA.**—At Rules held in the Clerk's Office of the Circuit Court of Taxwell county, on Monday, the 6th day of May, 1864:

John K. Stephenson and Catharine his wife, formerly Catharine Oney and Zachariah P. Belcher, Complainants,

vs. James Oney, William P. Oney, John Oney, Elisha Oney, Creed Oney, William F. Oney, and the unknown heirs of Sarah Deekins, dec'd, wife of Christopher Deekins, formerly Sarah Oney, Defendants.

The object of this suit is to have partition of the real estate of which William Oney, dec'd, died seized. And it appearing from an affidavit filed in this cause, that James Oney, Elisha Oney, Creed F. Oney and William F. Oney, are not inhabitants of this Commonwealth, it is ordered that they appear here within one month after the due publication hereof, and do what is necessary to protect their interests in this suit.

A Copy.—Teste, P. R. SPRACHER, Clk. June 3, 1864—4w

**\$300 REWARD.**

RAN away from the subscriber on Saturday, the 20th of May,

A Negro Boy by the name of Andrew. He is black, about 6 feet 3 inches high, 21 years old, and thought to be gone to Tennessee. I will give the above reward for his delivery to me near the Broad Ford, Smyth county, Va., or \$200 if confined so I get him again.

C. J. SHANNON. June 3d, 1864—1f

**SORGHUM CANE MILLS.**

WE respectfully call the attention of the Farmers to our Three Roller Sorghum Mills, which is the largest (12 inch rollers) and most desirable of any built.

We warrant the mills not to break (by fair means,) with two horse power.

DABNEY & SOMERS, Phenix Foundry, Lynchburg, Va. May 27, 1864—1m

**\$300 REWARD.**

RAN away from Mrs. Mary Price, three miles South of Glade Spring Depot, May 12th, Ben and Harriet, belonging to R. N. Price. They took with them a large otterel mare, rather thin in order, a very fine peacer.

Ben is a thick set fellow, quick spoken, quite black; and has a scar on his forehead, 21 or 22 years old, and not tall. Harriet is tall and slender, not very black, quick spoken, and 23 years old.

The above reward will be given to any one delivering them at Marion, or confining them in jail and conveying me intelligence so I may get them, together with the mare, or \$200 without her.

R. N. PRICE. Marion, Va., May 27, 1864—1f

**TAX NOTICE.**

THE Tax for 1863 is due and now ready for collection, and in order that all may have an opportunity to pay, I will be at the following named places at the times mentioned:

Saltville, 1st and 2d June; Whitley Fuller's Mill, 3d; Julius T. Davenport's 4th; Green Spring, 6th; David Rambo's, 7th; Friendship, 8th; Old Glade Spring 9th; Cedarville 10th; Goodson, 13th and 14th; John Gobble's, 15th; Craig's Mills, 16th; Waterman's 17th; John W. Worley's, 20th; White's Mill, 21st, and at my office in Abingdon each day thereafter, (Sundays excepted,) until the 1st day of July, after which an addition of ten per cent. will be added on all taxes not paid. All the receipts given subject to correction, must be presented within the time specified above. The Assessors will be present to assess the tax under the act of 17th Feb'y, 1864; all free negroes are liable to taxation, and must attend.

JAS. C. CAMPBELL, Collector 65th Dist. May 27, 1864—1f

**Wool Carding.**

THE subscriber hopes to be able to put his Carding Machine in such condition as to insure good work the coming season. Grain, Bacon, Flaxseed, Flax and Tow Linn, or any country produce, taken at (liberal) old rates, for carding at 6 and 10 cents per pound. The subscriber having no sheep, will require each customer having 25 lbs. of wool, or over, to pay him in the proportion of 4 lbs. to each 100 lbs. in wool, to be accounted for at the old rates of Toll, or every Eighth pound for carding.

If paid in currency, the price of carding must approximate a specie basis. Every accommodation offered to the needy families of those in the army.

May 20, 1864—4t T. P. CLAPP.

**\$100 REWARD.**

STOLEN from the subscriber, on Friday night, the 20th inst., a BAY MARE, of light color, two years old, heavy mane and tail, nicely made, about fifteen hands high, no marks recollected.

The reward of one hundred dollars will be paid for the delivery of said Mare to me, three miles South of Glade Spring Depot, Va., on the Middle Fork of Holston River.

May 27, 1864—4t S. B. PAFFORD.

CAMP CO. C, 22d VA. CAVALRY, } May 6th, 1864.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following named members of Co. C, 22d Va. Cavalry who are now absent without leave, who will report to these Headquarters for duty by the 1st of June, there will be no punishment put upon them, those failing to report their names, will be published as deserters, arrested as such and treated accordingly:

Martin Barker, Washington county, Jeremiah Cunningham, " " James Cyphers, " " Robert Dishner, Thos. Fleenor, Austin Fickael, T. P. Goodman, Benjamin Giles, Thomas Graham, James Howard, George Howard, John Henderson, Isiah Hubbard, Jordan Leonard, John Michael, Thomas Music, James Michael, James Moore, John Miles, Samuel Patrick, Albert Smyth, Gordon L. Williams, Austin Wampler, Peter Powers, Preston Orfield, Joseph Herington and James Culbertson.

I appeal to the above named members of my company to report at once where duty calls, and save themselves from further disgrace. Never let it be said to your fathers, mothers, brothers and sisters that you ever deserted such a holy cause as the one in which we are engaged.

By order of Col. H. C. BOWEN, 1st Lieut. Comdg. Co. C, 22d Va. Cavalry. May 13, 1864—5w

**NOTICE TO CONSCRIPTS**

ALL persons liable to military duty, whether or not previously, or the late legislation of Congress, will report themselves for enrollment and examination, at the places and on the days fixed in the annexed notice of the Examining Board. This notice includes:

1st. All persons between the ages of 18 and 46, who have not heretofore been enrolled.

2d. All persons between the ages of 18 and 46, who have been examined and exempted, whether temporarily or permanently.

3d. All of the reserve classes, i. e. between the ages of 17 and 18, and 45 and 60, whether enrolled heretofore or not.

IV. All persons heretofore exempt by law of Congress, whose exemptions are revoked by virtue of the new military bill, approved 17th February, 1864.

V. All persons claiming exemption under the new law.

6th. All male free negroes and other free persons of color, not including those free under the treaty of Paris of 1803, or under the treaty of Spain of 1817, between the ages of 18 and 50 years.

N. B.—This class will report on the last day of the examination in each county.

This notice includes all persons of any of the above classes, whether residents of this or any other portion of the State, or other States, and all persons who have been at any time discharged from the army.

All the laws and regulations applicable to deserters will be applied to such persons in the classes above named, who shall fail to report at the places of rendezvous, or who shall desert after enrollment.

D. B. BALDWIN, Captain and Enrolling Officer 18th Cong'l District.

The undersigned Examining Board for the 18th Congressional District, do hereby give notice to all whom it may concern, that they have appointed the following places and days for the examination of conscripts in the 18th Congressional District, in pursuance of the above notice, and all exemptions heretofore granted are revoked and a re-examination ordered.

This includes all persons between 17 and 50, except those detailed for Government contractors:

Wythe County, at Wytheville, on the 16th, 17th and 18th May.

Tazewell County, at Tazewell Court House, on the 23d and 24th May.

Blair County, at the Crab Orchard, on the 27th and 28th May.

Grayson County, at Independence, on the 1st and 2d June.

Washington County, at Abingdon, on the 6th, and 7th June.

Russell County, at Lebanon, on the 9th, 10th and 11th June.

Scott County, at Estillville, on the 13th, 14th and 15th June.

Smyth County, at Marion, on the 20th, 21st and 22d June.

E. R. WALKER, Surgeon & Pres't, JAMES F. HAMMET, M. D., L. A. T. PAINTER, M. D., Examining Board.

To be inserted in all the news papers in 18th Cong'l District until 15th June. April 29, 1864—7t D. B. B.

**Notice to Tax-Payers.**

I Am now ready to receive all the Taxes due for the year 1863, in the 67th District, composed of the counties of Russell and Buchanan, and for that purpose, will attend at the following places at the times here specified:

Wednesday, May 18th, at Fielding Combs' House, N. G.

Thursday, May 19th, at H. D. Aston's Store, N. G.

Friday, May 20th, at Hugh Johnson's House, N. G.

Saturday, May 21st, at John W. Lamplin's Store.

Monday, May 23d, at J. C. Ferguson's Mill.

Tuesday, May 24th, at A. L. Hendrick's Old Store.

Thursday, May 26th, at Hobbs & Hendrick's Store.

Friday, May 27th, at N. E. Bardine's House.

Saturday, May 28th, at J. C. Fugate's Tannery.

Monday, May 30th, at Robert Fugate's Store.

Tuesday May 31st, at James H. Dickenson's Store.

Wednesday, June 1st, at John Bickley's Old Store.

Thursday, June 2d, at Wm. Grizzle's House.

Friday, June 3d, at Mrs. Archer Jesse's Mill.

Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, the 6th, 7th and 8th, at Thos. C. M. Alderson's Store.

All persons failing to meet me and pay their Taxes according to this notice, will be required to pay 10 per cent. Tax as the law requires.

THOMAS H. GARRETT, Tax Collector for Dist. No. 67. May 6, 1864—5w

**Portmanteau Found.**

FOUND on Friday last, on the road leading from Saltville to Abingdon, 2 miles from Saltville—a large Portmanteau containing some money and some letters. The owner can get it by identifying it and paying for this advertisement. It has been left at this office by the finder.

Abingdon: May 13, 1864.

**REMOVAL.**

Dr. E. M. CAMPBELL has removed his residence to Fruit Hill, but his office is the same that he formerly occupied. When not at his office or professionally absent, he can be found at his house.

[April 22—4f

**Notice to Tax-Payers.**

State of Virginia, 65th Collection District, composed of the county of Washington.

ALL persons in this District who have heretofore been Registered, or who by Law are required to Register, are hereby notified that the time allowed by Law for making the Returns of their Gross Sales for the Quarter ending March 31st, 1864, having expired, they are required within thirty days from the date hereof, to pay to me the amount of their Tax on Sales to March 31st, 1864, under the penalty of having their Tax doubled.

JAMES C. CAMPBELL, Collector for 65th District.

May 13, 1864—4f

**NOTICE.**

WE will endeavor to keep constantly on hand Cloth, which we will give in exchange for Wool upon the following terms:

We will rate our common heavy Jeans at 75 cents per yard, our medium grade Sateen at \$1, and our extra fine Merino Sateen at \$1.25; and will allow 50 cents per pound for good common Wool washed, and 62 1/2 cents per pound for Merino washed. If wool is brought to us unwashed, we will invariably make a deduction of 33 1/2 percent for the common wool, and 50 per cent. for merino. We will endeavor to run our country cards as usual, and will card for the eighth, or for supplies at old rates, or for one-eighth of the market value of wool in money.

Address Marion, Smyth county, Va.

A. THOMAS & SON. May 13, 1864—4m

**\$200 REWARD.**

STOLEN from the stable of the subscriber