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The Baltimore American, of the 30th ult., asserts positively that Lincoln authorized Blair to communicate his willingness to give a hearing to any person of influence who may come from the States in rebellion, with or without Davis' authority, to treat of peace upon the basis of submission to the Union.

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In the Senate the negro question was further discussed for several hours without any result. The bill to establish a day for the Confederate States was passed without opposition. The new flag was displayed from the Capitol today. The only change is the substitution of a red bar for the half white field of the former composing the outer end. Nothing of interest was done in the House in open session.

LATER BIRMINGHAM NEWS—THE PEACE COMMISSIONERS.

The New York Herald of the 2d inst. has received its special Birmingham dispatch says:—We have had a series of peace rumors to-day, and it is exceedingly difficult, on account of the numerous contradictory statements, to arrive at the truth. The facts appear to be these: A delegation from Richmond was admitted within our lines yesterday, and to-day started down James river on an army transport. They were stopped at Fortress Monroe, and Seward started for Annapolis at noon to meet them. There is reason to believe that they will not come to Washington at present, but that any negotiations or conference in regard to a settlement of the difficulties will be conducted at Fortress Monroe by Seward, in behalf of the government. The whole affair is involved in a good deal of mystery.

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HOOD'S LEGS.—Confederate ingenuity is never at a loss.

The head and trunk of a man deprived of one or more limbs will furnish the wisdom and ardor of a perfect Hercules. The means of activity can be acquired by art. A regular service has been organized in the Confederacy for the supply from the most skillful makers in Europe, of artificial limbs and members equipped with all the most cunning contrivances that modern ingenuity has devised to render them effective substitutes for living bone and muscle.

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