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## A Story of the Russian Empress.

A letter from Berlin relates the following interesting anecdote: "A few days ago a hale old man, in a peasant's costume, but decorated with several orders and crosses, was seen to ascend the flight of steps leading to the terrace of the palace of Sans-Souci. A sentinel posted there stopped him, informing him that he could not be allowed to go further, as the palace was inhabited by the Empress of Russia. 'Why, that's the very reason why I must go on,' replied the veteran sturdily. An altercation ensued, which was interrupted by the arrival of Count Von Alvensleben, first equestrian of the Empress, who asked what was the matter. The old man replied, that he had walked nine German miles to see the Empress, before his death, he having saved her in her youth from a watery grave.

On learning this, the Count bade him wait, and on informing the Empress of the occurrence, was ordered to introduce him. The veteran approached the Empress with a firm step, and said, "I recognize her well though she is much changed." He then reminded her majesty of an occurrence which took place in 1806 in the park of the Charlottenburg, where the late King used to pass the summer, living there in the style of a private gentleman. The Empress of Russia, then Princess Charlotte, and only seven years of age, was one day playing near the ornamental piece of water called the Carp Basin, with her little sister, Princess Alexandrina, and her brother, Prince Charles, whom she was drawing along in a bath chair in which exercise she happened to go rather too near the water's edge.

A young guardsman on duty not far off called to her, warning her of her danger, but in vain; the little princess laughed at her adviser, and continued to draw the bath chair close to the brink. The soldier, on seeing this, stepped forward, held his sword before her, and cried "halt!" The princess, in a fright, stepped back, slipped and fell into the water. The sentinel instantly plunged in after her, got her safely out, and dragged the go cart along with him—Princess Alexandrina running by his side and crying all the while—carried her dripping wet as she was, to Queen Louise, who was sitting before her palace reading. The Queen, on learning what had happened, bent over the child, took from her neck a small medallion containing a lock of her (the Queen's) hair and gave it to the guardsman.

The same medallion the veteran showed to the Empress, who immediately recollected the occurrence, and with deep emotion requested him to restore to her the medallion with her mother's hair; and turning to Princess Alexandrina, her lady of honor, detached her own portrait set in diamonds (an ornament which the ladies of the Russian court generally wear as a mark of special affection) from the bosom of that lady, and gave it to the old guardsman, who went away delighted, and in passing by the sentinel who had stopped him, showed him the trinket, saying, "do you see that you stupid fellow?"

[London Lancet.]  
WELL COWHIDED.—A day or two since an interesting cowhiding affair took place in the northern part of the city.

It appears that two merchants—one elderly and the other a young man—whose dwellings are not very distant from each other, have been upon very friendly terms with one another. One bleak and uncomfortable day the wife of the young merchant was standing in the door of her house, when the elder one made his appearance, and was invited into the house. He had been there but a few moments, when he seized the lady by the wrists, and attempted to take improper liberties with her. She made resistance, and finally she desisted. When the hus-

band came home, the lady informed him of the facts in the case, whereupon he immediately purchased a cowhide and went after the false friend. Having found him, the young merchant took him out to the back yard and cowhided him to his heart's content. He then asked him why he did not resist? The elder merchant meekly replied that he felt too guilty to resist the chastigation. Whereupon the other contemptuously left him to enjoy the smarting of his back and conscience. Was he not rightly served?  
[Washington States and Union.]

**Cincinnati Municipal Election.**—The Cincinnati Gazette, (Republican,) says that its party, by the recent election in that city, has been "cleaned out."

The returns do not present a single redeeming feature—every candidate on the Fusion ticket has been elected by a sweeping majority. In November, at the Presidential election, the Republicans, although they carried the city by a plurality, were in a minority of 2,400. The average Fusion majority is now judging from the returns at hand up to present writing, over 4,000. The Republicans were exceedingly lukewarm. Very little work was done at the polls or elsewhere. The opposition, on the other hand, worked hard, and for this they are rewarded by an overwhelming victory.

**AN EDITOR'S POCKET.**—A New Hampshire editor, while recently traveling, had his wallet abstracted from his pocket and picked by an adroit pick-pocket, while indulging in a short nap. The thief was so disgusted with his exploit, that he returned the plunder by express to the address written inside the wallet, with the following note:  
"You miserable cuss, here's your pocket book. I don't keep no sich. For a man dressed as you was to go round with a wallet with nuthin in it but a lot of newspaper scraps, and ivory tooth comb, two newspaper stamps and a pass from a railroad director, is a contemptible imposition on the public. As I hear you are an editor, I return your trash. I never robs only gentlemen."

**THE TREACHERY AT PENSACOLA.**—The Mobile Tribune, of Tuesday morning, makes the following statement of the late singular affair at Pensacola:

On Friday, Gen. Bragg had all the plans necessary laid for taking Pickens. Sentinels of Slemmer are said to have been bribed up to his gates. "Nemo," alias Matthews, correspondent of the Pensacola Observer, betrayed the plan informed, the fleet and fort, and frustrated the movement. The fort was reinforced that night. Gen. Bragg's spy stood upon the beach and counted eighty five men as they defiled from the surf boats of the Brooklyn into the fort.

It was officially announced, at the headquarters of the Colonels of each regiment, on Saturday, that Gen. Bragg would have taken Pickens the night before, perhaps without the loss of a man or the firing of a gun, had it not been for the treachery of a friend in whom he had confidence for years. (Alluding, no doubt, to Captain Adams, in command of the fleet.)

Mathews was arrested last Saturday, upon suspicion of being a spy, and sent to Montgomery for investigation.

On Thursday a messenger from Lincoln (Lieut. Worden, U. S. N.) arrived at the Navy Yard with verbal dispatches for the fort and fleet. He was suffered to pass over. It is supposed he instructed the fleet to throw reinforcements in at once.

Five signal guns were heard at 9 o'clock in the fleet, at which time the movement took place. Bragg's spy was arrested and detained until morning.

**Coffee on the War.**—Scene—Corner of St. Charles and Canal streets, two companies on the march to Pensacola, Sambo and Pete among the spectators:

Sambo.—Hi, golly, Pete look at dem white folks gwine to de war to fight for us niggers. Don't you perceive dat we am de Warricks (Warwick) of dis country?

Pete.—Wah, Wah, Warricks—what sort of article am Warricks; tish'n nuffin like artichokes is it?

Sambo.—Heh, heh, heh, heh, why nigger you doesn't know nuffin. Dare's no choaking 'bout it, though it's a mighty good joke. You hasn't larnin nuf to understand. You see old Masser Warrick was a great warrior and made kings out of common folk, so dey called him de great King Maker. Now, why am we niggers like Masser Warrick?

Pete.—Caze de white folk goes to fight for us.

Sambo.—No, you fool. Caze we niggers am de king makers.

Pete.—Wah, wah, whar we make de king?

Sambo.—Why, doesn't we niggers make de cotton, and isn't cotton de King?

Pete.—Yah, yah, yah, dat's fact Sambo, I gives 'im up.  
[Exit darkies]. N. O. Picayune.

## Texas Intelligence.

### Preparations for War.

From the Galveston News of Tuesday we extract the following:

A meeting of the City Council took place at 6 P. M. on Sunday, for the purpose of taking the necessary steps in view of the threatening prospects of war announced by Sunday's mail.

An ordinance was at once passed for appropriations, to be expended under the direction of Gen. Sherman as Military Commandant, in order to put the city in the best state of defence possible with the means at hand. A resolution was also passed for appropriations for provisions and supplies for the State troops on the Rio Grande. The provisions have been purchased and sent by the schooner Shark, and with the present favorable wind, the Shark will land at Brazos Santiago on Tuesday.

These prompt measures were taken in consequence of a dispatch from Hon. John H. Reagan, at Montgomery, to Gen. Nichols, confirming the dispatches in the papers, to the effect that the steamship Atlantic was on her way to Brazos Santiago, and was expected to arrive there by Wednesday next, with some 500 United States troops, the object being supposed to be to take possession again of the posts on our Western frontier. The Atlantic is reported to have along with her surf-boats enough to land 500 men at a time.

As soon as the Shark reaches Brazos Santiago an express will be sent at once to Prownsville, to notify Col. Ford of the present state of things, that he may be in readiness to meet the United States troops on their arrival.

Gen. Sherman is now actively engaged in throwing up temporary fortifications, and placing the balance of the ordnance here in battery. He has directed the various military companies to fill up their ranks to their complement.

We notice calls by the various Captains for volunteers, to come forward and fill up the ranks. The response, we understand, is generally made with alacrity.

Gen. Sherman has notified the Captains of companies in the interior to fill up their ranks and be ready to move at a moment's notice. He has also given instructions to the pilots that will prevent vessels of an unknown or hostile character coming into the harbor, at least with our pilots' assistance.

He will doubtless take steps to have the light-house light stopped—

giving due notice to the adjacent ports.

**Houston, April 16, 11 A. M.**—A salute was fired in the Court-House Square to-day in token of rejoicing at the fall of Fort Sumter.

Our military companies hold themselves in readiness for orders to march at a moment's warning.

The enthusiasm of our people is very high.

A public meeting has been called to-night at the market house.

From the Indianola Courier of Monday we extract the following:

Nine more companies left yesterday morning on the steamer Fashion, and were transferred to the steamship Empire City at the bar, destined for New York. Five of the companies (D, E, G, H and K) belonged to the 2d Infantry, and were officered as follows: Captains Shepherd (Bvt. Major.) Brooks (Bvt. Maj.), Shikes and Schroeder; Lieutenants Wood and Bell, and Assistant Surgeons Brodie and Ramseur. Four companies (A, C, F, and K) belonged to the 2d Cavalry, and were under command of Captains Whiting and Johnson, and Lieutenants Royal, Lowe, Porter and Arnold.

The Empire City was to leave this morning for New York. The Fashion has returned from the bar.

The steam ship Arizona arrived this morning from Bazos Santiago with three companies of the 3d Infantry, under command of Col. Backus. They will go into camp near the city until other companies arrive from the interior, when (as at present understood) the whole force will embark on the Star of the West, the only transport steamer now at the bar.

There are three companies now in camp at green Lake—Major Smith's company of 3d Infantry, and Captains Granger and Wallace's companies of 1st Infantry.

Companies are now on the way from Forts Lancaster, Davis and Bliss those from the latter fort having left there on the 30th March. These forces are expected to arrive during next week.

**"Fort Sumter Taken" in Mobile.**—The Mobile Advertiser, of Sunday morning, recording the news from Charleston, says:

The flag of the Confederacy was instantly flung to the breeze from our office as the signal of the news, and the intelligence spread like wildfire through the city.

Everybody seemed wild with joyous excitement over this maiden triumph of the arms of the young Confederacy. The bells were set ringing a jubilant chime, men hurrahed, shouted, embraced, made speeches, and Royal street was a pandemonium of congratulatory confusion.

The Register says:

The very elements have favored us, for the fleet which was to reinforce or relieve the enemy's stronghold, was prevented by stress of weather from making the attempt of entering Charleston harbor, thus sparing our forces the necessity of destroying the lives which the blind fury of fanaticism had devoted to an inhuman sacrifice. Fort Sumter is taken.

The cry that now echoes from our streets is: To Washington!

**THE NEWS FROM VIRGINIA CONFIRMED.**—The following private dispatch says the Vicksburg Whig confirming the dispatch of the associated press, has been placed at our disposal:

**RICHMOND, VA., April 18.**  
Dr. M. EMANUEL:—The Secretary, has just recorded the Ordinance of Secession passed yesterday. I think it will be ratified by the people.

**ADDISON HALL.**  
Mr. HALL is a member of the Virginia Convention from Lancaster and was elected as a Union man. His dispatch is unquestionably reliable.