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LET THEM REFLECT.

We are now daily receiving by telegraph the first installments of the emotion experienced at the North at the unexpected and calamitous intelligence of the surrender of Fort Sumter. That intense, and for a while uncontrollable excitement should follow that event was a matter of course. To understand it we have only to change places mentally with the people of the North. Let us remember that seven-eighths of them do not at all comprehend the position of affairs, and the phases of public feeling at the South. They have been fooled into the belief that a majority of the citizens of the Confederate States were really opposed to secession, but were drugooned and overawed into tacit acquiescence by political leaders. They have likewise clung to the impression of the invincibility of the United States forces. They fancied that the troops of the Confederate States would hardly dare attack Fort Sumter, and that if they did, the preparations made by Mr. LINCOLN for its defense would ensure the disgraceful defeat of the secessionists. When the truth became known, when the bombardment and conquest of Fort Sumter blasted the confident hopes of the North, no wonder the people of that section gave way to rage and fury, and thought of nothing but retaliation and revenge. The President himself and his Cabinet appear to have been swept along by the torrent, and to have shared in the sudden and overpowering excitement. Hence the proclamation calling for seventy-five thousand volunteers, and commanding the Southern Confederacy to disband and disperse within twenty days.

Now all this terrible display of patriotic ardor against the South amounts, in our opinion, to little more than a temporary effervescence. We looked for it. We have no doubt it will still continue for a while. It is the inevitable result of the disappointment and humiliation felt at the surrender of Fort Sumter. The North regards that disaster as a national disgrace, and is burning to wipe it out. In its anger it has not yet had time for a moment's reflection, but with headlong impulse proposes at once to make war upon the South. A few days, however, will, we opine, seriously modify the prevailing sentiment. The people of the North will cool down, and will begin to ask themselves what it is they propose, what is the end aimed at, and by what means it is to be achieved. These are questions which may be pretermitted in the first paroxysm of wrath and resentment, but which will gradually make themselves heard, and will require a response. The response will not elapse ere the Northern people will perceive that one of the earliest effects of their announcement of a crusade against the South is to detach from the Union those slaveholding communwealths which up to the period of the LINCOLN proclamation had resisted secession influences. The advices constantly received from Virginia, Kentucky, North Carolina and Tennessee render it absolutely certain that, should the President of the United States endeavor to enforce the programme embodied in his proclamation, those States will unite their fates and fortunes with those of the Southern Confederacy. Arkansas will undoubtedly join us, while even Missouri and Maryland will probably be constrained to follow.

The hour is rapidly approaching when the North will be called upon to decide once for all a question of the highest and most lasting moment. The bold assumptions and frivolous pretexts of MR. LINCOLN's manifesto must be discarded. Will he undertake to address thirteen of fourteen States in the language of menace and bravado, as if nothing existed more serious than a local insurrection? Will the people of the North resolve in cold blood to wage war upon the slaveholding States, for to this complexion will it come at last? The demonstrations of popular feeling in Virginia, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, &c., prove beyond a peradventure that those States are preparing to resist LINCOLN's plan of coercion, and to make common cause with their brethren of the Confederated South. The question then will be for a great State like and broader field. It will not do to talk about rebels, lawless combinations, retaking forts, and collecting revenue. If war is to come, it will be a war of sections; of the North against the united South; civil war in its most hideous forms, and on a most extended scale—a war replete with innumerable horrors, which will be a stigma on the age, a disgrace to civilization, and which will throw back the history of the world in full century.

We are loth to admit the possibility of such a calamity. It cannot be that the North is so utterly demoralized and so infuriated as madly to rush on inevitable ruin and destruction. We believe that in a week or two the cooler and more rational spirits of that section will begin to appreciate the tremendous responsibilities before them, and will pause ere they precipitate the two sections into internecine and exterminating strife. At all events we of the South have taken our position. We are simply acting on the defensive. We claim nothing but the right of independence and self-government. If that is assailed, we shall protect ourselves at all hazards and to the last extremity.

THE LAW.—There was a perfect rush to the Citizens' Bank yesterday in order to secure shares in the loan of five millions required by the Government of the Confederate States. A considerable part of the amount was taken, mostly, we understand, by large capitalists. The books will continue open to-day, when we hope that the remainder will be taken by persons of moderate or small means in sums to suit their convenience. It is desirable that the loan should be divided among as many citizens as possible, so as to interest large numbers in it. No doubt the applications will far exceed the amount offered. In such an event the preference will be given first to those who subscribe and pay up the minimum amount of $50; second, to those of $100; and third, to those who subscribe for larger sums and pay up on subscription. We should like every man who can spare a trifle to exhibit his patriotism by becoming a participant in this loan—the more so as a more amply secured transaction could not possibly be offered to the most cautious capitalist.

DR. HUNTER.—It will be seen by the card in another column that the professional engagements of this celebrated practitioner are so numerous as to require his presence in New Orleans until the 1st May. We are sure the crowd of patients who are daily deriving benefit from the Doctor's treatment will rejoice at his continued residence among us.

OPERA HOUSE.—Tonight that pains-taking and excellent artist, Madame Pretti Baille, takes her benefit, and offers Bellini's superb opera *Norma*, with Frezzolini as the high priestess. Surely such a programme should attract a brilliant audience.

The attention of gentlemen desirous of perfecting themselves in military drill is called to the advertisement of Mr. Geo. H. Rozet, to be found in another column.

The N Y. *Tribune* is busily engaged in trying to prove that all the Southern soldiers are brutes and blackguards. That journal thought differently when old Zack beat Santa Anna at Buena Vista, chiefly by the aid of Mississippi and Carolina volunteers. But the *Tribune* is a mere Tuerites of the press. Its billingsgate is not worth the anger of an honest man.

VOLUNTEER FORCE OF GEORGIA.—Says the Savannah *Republican*: That our enemies may see that Georgia is fully prepared for any emergency she is likely to be called on to bear, we copy the following from the *Southern Recorder*, an official where, from the Governor's office, the whole list of the volunteer companies in the State. They add up 228, nearly two to a county, and fixing the average number of men at 50, which we are convinced is short of the mark, we have an available force of volunteer soldiery, ready for action at a moment's warning, of *eleven thousand four hundred men!*

It will thus be seen that the State of Georgia is prepared to fill many such requisitions as have been recently made upon her by the Confederate Government, and that without drafting a single man for the service.

The New York *Commercial Advertiser* (a Black Republican journal) in a late issue says: "If there is to be a dismemberment of this Republic, we believe it would be better that the line be drawn between the free and the slave States. Thus only, we think, could the slavery agitation be allayed. If the border slave States remained with the free Republic, their institutions would continue to be a bone of contention. We would continue to be a bone of contention. We have a high respect for the idea embodied in a word that has recently come into use—*Nationalities*. Next, perhaps, to unity of representation, is unity of strength and peace, is reason, as an element of strength and peace, is homogeneity of interests, thoughts and habits. And while slavery exists in the border States their natural affinities will be with the other slave States."

GUNS FOR SAVANNAH.—The Macon (Georgia) *Telegraph* says two immense guns, weighing nearly 16,000 pounds, passed through that city Wednesday evening for Savannah. They are fifteen feet long and two inch bore. An eight inch gun, from Richmond, arrived at Savannah on Wednesday.

BY TELEGRAPH.

[TRANSMITTED TO THE NEW ORLEANS BEE.]

Latest from Montgomery—Speech of Vice-President Stephens in Atlanta—Departure of the Fleet off Charleston.

Montgomery, April 16.—General Pillow guarantees to raise ten thousand men in twenty days, if President Davis will accept their services. There is no doubt of President Davis's accepting them.

Vice-President Alex. H. Stephens delivered a speech in Atlanta last night, in which he said it would require seventy-five times seventy-five thousand men to intimidate us, and then it would not be done when an open $125,000 of the loan is taken by one man in gold at par.

The fleet which has been lying off Charleston harbor the past few days, has left.

Virginia State Convention—The Ordinance of Secession Probably Passed.

Richmond, April 17.—The State Convention is still in session with closed doors.

It is believed the ordinance of secession has been taken up and passed.

TENDER OF TROOPS BY NORTHERN CITIES.

Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, April 16.—A regiment of one thousand Irishmen have tendered their services to the Government.

Boston.

Boston, April 16.—Seventeen hundred men are already armed and ready for service.

Trenton, N. J.

Trenton, April 16.—The Governor has ordered the military to protect the arsenal. Recruiting is progressing rapidly.

Maine Legislature.

Augusta, April 17.—Gov. Washburn, of this State, has issued his proclamation convening both houses of the Legislature on Monday to respond to the call for troops.

Maryland Responding to Lincoln.

Baltimore, April 17.—The State of Maryland is responding to the call from President Lincoln for troops to suppress certain existing combinations.

A Baltimore regiment has already tendered its services.

Governor Hicks thinks Maryland should protect the Federal Government.

Enlistments are progressing rapidly.

From Washington.

Washington, April 17.—Twenty tons of shell and grape have been sent to Georgetown.

The Government abolishes the sending of copies of the coast survey South.

Steamboats Passed Vicksburg.

Vicksburg, April 17.—The steamer Wm. M. Morrison passed down with the Continental artillery on board at 9 P. M. yesterday. The Hannibal at 1, the Westmoreland at 5, and the Atlantic and Natchez at 6 A. M. to-day.

Kentucky and North Carolina Troops Refused Southern Troops—Number of Northern Troops Ordered.

New York, April 17.—There was another rapid fall of border State stocks in this market yesterday. Missouri Sixes fell to 50, Tennessee Sixes to 65, North Carolina Sixes to 70 and Virginia Sixes to 57.

Gov. Ellis, of North Carolina, and Gov. Magoffin, of Kentucky, have both officially refused to respond to Lincoln's demand for troops from those States.

It is believed that all the border States, except Maryland, will do the same.

In consequence of this refusal Lincoln has ordered double the number of Northern volunteers at first contemplated.

Kentucky all Right.

The following private dispatch, received this morning, has been kindly placed at our disposal:

"Lemisville, April 17.—There is great political excitement here.

"Kentucky is all right."

New Orleans Advice for Europe.

New York, April 17.—The steamship America sails from Boston for Liverpool to-day. She takes out New Orleans mails of the 10th, and telegraphic advices to the latest moment.

Sterling Exchange at New York.

New York, April 17.—Sterling exchange yesterday, for to-day's Liverpool steamer, was nominal.

Great Excitement in Cincinnati—Seizure of Arms for the South—Shipment of Provisions Stopped.

Cincinnati, April 17.—The city presented quite a lively state of excitement to-day. Several boxes containing arms, marked for parties in the city of Memphis, were seized upon to-day by order of the Chief of Police. A heavy shipment of powder has been stopped.

All steamers are prohibited from taking provisions South.

Two steamers, thoroughly armed, are acting as police boats to stop and search all passing steamers.

A large quantity of bacon destined for Charleston, via Nashville, was taken from the steamer Glenwood.

Police of Ex-Senator Bigler.

Philadelphia, April 17.—Ex U. S Senator Bigler is in favor of sustaining the Government at all costs and at all hazards.

Secessionists of Delaware.

Wilmington, April 17.—The Secessionists here are overawed by the prevalent Union sentiments.

Offer by the Boston Banks.

Boston, April 17.—The banks propose jointly to loan the Federal Government $1,000,000.

Demand of the Whole Loan by New Orleans—The Call for 32,000 Troops —$1,000 Only Required of Florida, —2000 Only Required of Florida.

Montgomery, April 17.—The Government has been asked for from New Orleans for the whole fifteen millions loan.

Of the thirty-two thousand troops called out yesterday, five thousand are from each State, with the exception of Florida, which is only required to furnish two thousand, owing to her small population.

The loan is being taken up rapidly at par. The office to-day was perfectly jammed.

Interesting from Arizona—Proceedings of the Territorial Convention—The Action of the Mesilla Knights—Movements of United States Troops in Texas.

Galveston, April 16. The Convention of the people of Eastern Arizona, held at Mesilla, on the 16th ult., was numerously attended.

Hon P. T Herbert, Commissioner from Texas, was welcomed in a very cordial manner.

Resolutions were adopted declaring that action of the seceded States: that Arizona in interest is with the South; that she desires to become a Territory of the Southern Confederacy, and will not recognize the Lincoln Administration nor obey his officers.

The people of Western Arizona are invited to join in the movement.

A vote was taken on the above resolutions on the second Monday in April.

On Sunday the steamship Star of the West was still lying off Indianola. The Empire City and the steamer Midnight left Friday evening with troops. Their destination is unknown.

Major Emory has been ordered to Texas, under Major Smith and Sibley, are encamped at Green Lake, near Indianola, waiting more companies from the upper frontier.

Major Hunt has resigned his commission and offered his services to the Southern Confederacy.

Active preparations are making here for the defense of the State.

Further from Montgomery—50,000 Troops from Kentucky and Tennessee—Seizure of North Carolina Forts, &c., &c.

Montgomery, April 17.—A proclamation will be issued to-morrow which tenders for letters of marque and reprisal.

The Cabinet had a long session to day, and will probably issue a call for one hundred and fifty thousand more troops—man for man with Lincoln.

Charleston has taken two millions of the loan. New Orleans wants five millions. The whole fifteen millions will be issued immediately.

Governor Ellis telegraphs the Secretary of War that he has taken possession of the forts in North Carolina.

Fifty thousand Tennessee and Kentucky troops were offered this morning to the War Department.

Merchants' Meeting in New York—Free Day Book" and "Express" Compelled to Hang Out the American Flag.

New York, April 17.—The merchants' meeting held in this city to-day was of an imposing and enthusiastic character.

Twelve hundred dollars headed the subscription for the Seventh Regiment on the spot. It is expected that fifty thousand dollars will be raised to-morrow.

A mob has gone to compel the *Journal of Commerce* to hang out the American flag. The *Express* and *Day Book* have complied under compulsion.

It is reported that Mr A L. Stewart has offered $1,000,000 to the United States Government.

Recruiting is going on briskly. Sailors in great numbers are applying for naval service.

The Seventy-ninth Regiment has tendered its services to the Governor.

Volunteering is progressing briskly in numerous Northern and Eastern localities.

Interesting from Louisville—Appropriation of $50,000 to Arm the City.

Louisville, April 17.—The City Council has passed a bill making an appropriation of $50,000 to put the city in a state of defense.

A steamer from St Louis laden with Government arms has reached Newport, Ky., is likely to be stopped on her trip.

Funds Advanced to the Government.

Burlington, April 17.—The Iowa Branch State Bank and the Indiana State Bank advance to the Government whatever amounts they deem necessary to equip the regiments called for by Lincoln.

Later from Virginia—No Secession Ordinance yet Passed.

Richmond, April 17.—5 P. M.—The Ordinance of Secession has not yet passed the Convention, which up to this hour is still in secret session.

Nothing has as yet been made known.

Further from Memphis—Resistance Feeling Unanimous.

Memphis, April 17.—Mr Saunders declines to serve as Postmaster under the Lincoln Administration.

A Committee of Safety has been appointed.

The resistance feeling is unanimous.

The seizure of cannon has commenced, and will be pushed forward with great activity.

Decline in Border Stocks.

New York, April 17.—There was quite a fall in border States stocks to-day.

The closing quotations for Tennessee sixes were 54, for Virginia sixes, 46; for Missouri sixes, 50, for North Carolina sixes, 58.

New York Markets.

New York, April 17.—The Flour market closed active and firmer, with sales of 6500 bbls at $5 30 to $5 35 for Superfine State. Common to good extra ranged from 6l to 68c. per bushel. Pork firm —Sales at $17 75 to $18 50 per bbl. for Mess.

River Intelligence.

Louisville, April 17.—The Ohio river at this point was rising this evening, with 15 feet of water over the falls.

Cincinnati Markets.

Cincinnati, April 17.—There were sales of Flour to-day at $4 20 to $4 40 per bbl. for Superfine. Oats closed firm at 26c. per bushel. Western Mess Pork is quoted at $17 to $17 25 per bbl.

PATRIOTIC AND PRAISEWORTHY.—As the papers have mentioned one or two illustrations of patriotic sacrifice on the part of the merchants of our city, we may state that our worthy friends, Goldsmith & Barnett, No. 78 Magazine street, granted unlimited leave of absence, yesterday, to their book keeper, who is a member of the Washington Artillery, with the assurance that his salary should continue while employed in the service of the State. Such generosity deserves to be recorded.

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR.—Louisiana having been called on for three thousand additional troops by requisition of the President, the following proclamation has been issued:

HEADQUARTERS LOUISIANA MILITIA, }
Adjutant General's Office. }
NEW ORLEANS, April 17, 1861 }

The President of the Confederate States having made a requisition upon the Governor of Louisiana for three thousand infantry, to serve for twelve months, unless sooner discharged—

I, Thomas O. Moore, Governor of the State of Louisiana, do hereby proclaim that volunteers will be received in accordance with the requisition of the President of the Confederate States. Each company to be composed of not less than sixty-four privates, four sergeants, four corporals, one captain, one first and two second lieutenants.

Captains of companies volunteering will address Adjutant General M. Grivot, at New Orleans, La., and hold themselves in readiness at a moment's notice, subject to the orders of the Governor.

By order of THOS. O. MOORE,
Governor and Commander in Chief.
M. GRIVOT, Adjutant and Inspector General.

TREASURY NOTES CO-FEDERATE STATES.—We were shown yesterday, by Collector Bonton, a number of the new Treasury Notes, of various denominations just issued by the Government of the Confederate States. They are handsomely executed, with appropriate vignettes in green, and bear an interest of one cent per diem on the hundred dollars. We annex the inscription of the $500 note:

A 500

Twelve months after date the
CONFEDERATE STATES OF AMERICA
FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS,
With interest at five cents per day.
MONTGOMERY, April 8, 1861.
ALEX. B. CUTHBERT, Register. (obl)
E. C. ELMORE, Treasurer.

(Lower margin)—Receivable in payment of all dues except Export Duties.

As these notes bear an interest, and are perfectly safe besides, they are likely to get into very general circulation.

The American Troubles.

HON VIRGINIUS SPEARS.—The Richmond *Whig* of the 13th, speaking of the dispatch announcing the attack on Fort Sumter, says:

"We see no reason to doubt its genuineness—and, if true, it heralds the beginning of a war, the end of which none of us may live to see. It is provoked by the authorities at Washington. They have acted from the beginning with duplicity and persistent hostility to the Southern States. They have attempted, under the guise of friendship, to consummate an act of war: and when foiled, they gave notice of an intended hostile act, which justified any course for self-preservation on the other side."

The Charleston *Courier* of the 15th contains an elaborate description of the bombardment of Fort Sumter. The material facts, however, differ in no respect whatever from the accounts transmitted here by telegraph.

A dispatch from Montgomery, dated the 15th inst., says: Gen. Beauregard telegraphs to the War Department that none were killed in Sumter, and but two wounded.

The quarters are in ruins, but the armament, however, is still effective against the entrance to the channel.

THE FLOATING BATTERY.—The following description of this battery, which has done such signal service in the bombardment of Fort Sumter, adds some interesting details to the descriptions previously published. It will be remembered that the Northern press generally informed their readers that on being launched it would immediately capsize and whelm those who took, and few of them thought proper to contradict a lie so gratifying to their readers:

The Stevens Battery.—This is the celebrated floating or iron battery. It was invented by the cashier of the Planters and Mechanics' Bank of Charleston, Mr. Stevens submitted the plan to Gov. Pickens, but meeting with no encouragement there, he showed his plan to Mr. Hatch, who interested the Secretary of War, Mr. Walker, in it, and he praised the idea so highly that Gov. Pickens gave his consent to the erection of it. His brother commands it. Here there are *three* Columbiads, sixty four pounders, the front of which is protected by sand bags twenty feet thick. The doors for the embrasures work by a lever, which, although bomb proof, can be opened and shut, through a novel contrivance, by a single man. These doors are five feet high and a half. The "rat trap" of the battery, as the place for the reserves is called, is protected by sand bags fifteen feet thick. Here one hundred men can repose in perfect safety. The roof of this battery is covered with two layers of the T pattern rail, which are dove tailed together and closely pinned to the thirteen pat ented logs underneath. This mode of building is so unique and so strong that doubtless it is destined to revolutionize all the old fashioned ideas of fortifications.

SHAKE HANDS AND PART.—This is the advice of the London *Reviews* to the North and South:

Mr. Lincoln is an honest man, but he is not equal to the emergency. And in saying this we do not seek to disparage either his genius or his statesmanship. The circumstances are too great and too awful for the powers of any citizen, great or small, known or unknown. To do or not to do is equally mischievous. To consent to the independence of the South, or to coerce it into submission, would be alike unwise on the part of a President inaugurated such as Mr. Lincoln. But whatever complications may arise, it grows more evident from day to day that a reunion of the States is no longer possible, and that it would not be desirable if it were. Mr. Seward, the late Secretary of State under Mr. Lincoln, and who has more than any other American statesman to bring about the present crisis, declared a year ago that the conflict between the Slave and the Free States was inevitable." His prophecy has been fulfilled in a manner that he could scarcely have anticipated. The conflict which he meant was a moral one, to be fought out in books, newspapers and speeches. But the conflict which has arisen is one of the bayonet and the bullet, and may at any moment, and from the pulmost provocation, become a war more flagrant and venomous than any recorded in modern history. The best thing the North and South can do is to shake hands and part. They never have agreed. They never will agree. They never can agree. Their differences are irreconcilable. Their interests are conflicting. Their very temperament and character are antagonistic, and are made so no less by the institution of slavery in the one case, and its absence in the other, than by the slow but certain effects of a hot climate on the brain and nervous system of men of north European origin settled for generations in a region of the earth for which they were not originally adapted. The people of South Carolina, Louisiana, Alabama and Texas are as little like the people of Ohio, Massachusetts and Michigan as Greeks are like Dutchmen. And every generation but widens the dissimilarity of character as well as of interest. It is better for them to part, now that the struggle has begun. Were they left alone for half a century, they would come together again, with even greater bitterness. The world is wide enough for them both; and the North, so far from regretting the separation, ought, if it has any sense, to regard it as a happy deliverance, especially if it can be brought about without the shedding of blood. In the meantime Mr. Lincoln's wisest course is to do nothing, and let the action of the national convention. Any other course which he could adopt would be fraught with present and future calamity.

ACCIDENT.—Says the Mobile *Advertiser*:

On the passage of the Carondelet to Hall's Landing, Saturday, private John Carp, of the Quitman Artillery, fell from the deck of the tug-boat from having been on guard during most of the previous twenty-four hours, fell backwards from the railing of the boiler deck on the guard, and striking his head below, fracturing his throat and cheek severely by striking on the end of a cart thill. He narrowly escaped striking his head on the iron work of the same, which would have fractured his skull. Both arteries received prompt attention from Surgeon M. W. Boyd, and at night he was so far recovered from the concussion as to walk up the bluff with the assistance of two men.

A LINCOLN MINISTER.—In a speech of Carl Schurtz, at Springfield, Mass., in the last campaign, he used the following language. We quote for the purpose of asking what portion of the American people he will represent at the Court of Madrid:

There is your Declaration of Independence, said he, "a diplomatic dodge;" adopted merely for the purpose of securing foreign aid. Its doctrines in the eyes of civilized mankind. There is your Declaration of Independence, no longer the sacred code of the rights of man, but a hypocritical appeal, pleading, drunk with rage, by a batch of artful petitfoggers, who, when speaking of the rights of man, meant but the privileges of a set of aristocratic slaveholders, but styled it "the rights of men," for the purpose of throwing dust in the eyes of the world, and to invelgle noble-hearted fools into lending them aid and assistance. (Applause.) There are your boasted revolutionary sires, no longer "the wise and sages, but accomplished humbuggers and hypocrites, who said one thing and meant another; were a set of consummate sentimental as geniuses, and obtained arms and money and assistance and sympathy on false pretenses! There is your great American revolution, no longer the great champion of universal principles, but a mean Yankee trick—(bursts of applause and laughter)—a wooden nutmeg—the most impudent imposition ever practiced upon the whole world! (Applause.)

There is a good deal of sound sense at times in the remarks of roasting persons. At a lunatic asylum, a few days since, a patient was asked if he was fond of riding horseback. "No sir, I ride a lobby." "There is not much difference between the two," carelessly remarked the superintendent. "Oh! yes, there is!" replied the patient, "and it is this: if you ride a horse you can stop him and get off, but when you mount a lobby you can't stop, and you can't get off."

Proclamation by the President of the Confederate States of America.

Whereas, An extraordinary occasion has occurred, rendering it necessary and proper that the Congress of the Confederate States shall convene to receive and act upon such communications as may be made to it on the part of the Executive:

Now, therefore, I, JEFFERSON DAVIS, President of the Confederate States, do issue this, my proclamation, convening the Congress of the Confederate States for the transaction of business at the Capitol, in the city of Montgomery, on the 29th day of April, at 12 o'clock, noon, of that day, of which all who shall at that time be entitled to act as members of that body are hereby required to take notice.

Given under my hand and the seal of the [L.s.] Confederate States, at Montgomery, this twelfth day of April, Anno Domini, 1861.

JEFFERSON DAVIS.

By the President,
R. TOOMBS, Secretary of State.

Good Advice for Virginia.

The Richmond *Whig* takes a practical view of public affairs in the present crisis, and gives some wholesome suggestions for the contemplation of the people of Virginia. We copy an extract:

Nowhere is the public mind more reluctant of conviction that the time has indeed arrived. Virginia has felt a traditional, almost a superstitious, veneration for the governmental fabric of which her own sons were the chief builders. Her repugnance to the proud and patriotic sensibilities as may be the doubt implied in the question whether the Union can be restored, it is one that she cannot avoid. When the last Congress met, it would have been an easy thing to have won back the seceding States. The adoption of the Crittenden resolutions would have been ample for the purpose. When the President was inaugurated, it would have been more difficult, but still a comparatively easy work. Every day the difficulty has been increasing, and is increasing. We will not say that it is now impossible—we earnestly and devoutly trust that it may not be—but we are obliged to admit that we see no satisfactory evidence in the present position of that it is possible. The organs of public sentiment there declare, with a concurrence approximating unanimity, that such an expectation is the sheerest folly. They say not only so, but only so declare, but they so act. It is plain enough that they have been playing a farce. They have been forming a government that they mean to be sovereign and independent. They have been engaged in real work, not in a counterplot of State craft. What we have looked upon as the mere stage paganti—the mustered panoramas—but the movement of events, the progress of history—actual revolution, not yet characterized by battle and carnage, but wearing all the great features of one moved on, the guns all mounted and the matches all burning. What we look upon is a new born nation, strong, brave, self reliant—not looking back hopefully or longingly, but with vigilance, and ahead with confidence. And this is a fact with which Virginia must familiarize herself, and to which she must adapt her own line of action, if she expects that action to have influence.

The American Troubles.

Ever since Mr Lincoln delivered his Inaugural Address the American public has been engaged in the effort to understand it. Whether the famous document is to be read literally by the most acute commentators, and their embarrassment is pardonable, for it is plain that Mr. Lincoln's Cabinet is equally at fault, and some people say that Mr. Seward knows no more of his intentions than his supporters know. In fact, circumstances will give the explanation of the President's meaning. Is he the popular drones who profess to interpret the Apocalypse, we must wait for the event, and when it will be easy to show that such and such passages of the Inaugural refer to that very thing, and no other. In the meantime, two high authorities differ wholly in their anticipations of the Presidential policy. Mr Douglas, the most zealous and consistent friend Mr. Lincoln has had, and the man who would allow the first emigrants into a territory to decide on the institutions of the future State, and who consequently condemned in the strongest terms the dictum of the Administration—declares himself satisfied with the President's language, which he says means nothing but peace. Mr. Greeley, the chief of Republicans and the Montgomery Congress are equally sure that war is impending. The military preparations at the South are on a scale which indicates serious hostile intentions. Mr. Lincoln's declaration that he will not surrender Fort Sumter, and his declaration that he will not withdraw the troops from Fort Pickens at present, are equally ominous to Mr. Charles D. J. Eaton, at 61 per cent. ding fast for the work complete. There were nine-teen held for making brick sidewalks in various parts of the city.

Not So Bad.—It was telegraphed late night before last that a woman had died in the city of the Robin street police station of fracture of the skull about Holyoke, of the First District, inurred up there. But Constable Bond was on the case, and also was hurt on the head; but the wound was not considered bad until she was examined in person, when it was discovered that she had been on a tear! Going on more than a week, and was consequently not responsible for her actions. Her husband was arrested, to prevent fatal consequences, and she was sent to the Charity Hospital. She refused to tell her name to the officers.

Didn't Come of.—Two suspicious characters, named William Coates and Peter Hardy, were arrested yesterday in a carriage on the lakefront of Police officer Farrell, he concerning them to be there under suspicious circumstances. They are said not to possess an extremely sound character, but their being taken into custody was not on account of a street row, but being entertained that they desired to steal from the "Rogues' Gallery," the portrait of a thief named Morgan, a friend of Coates. The case was dismissed, as the party in charge of Coates's picture sought to withdraw the complaint.

Found Drowned.—The Coroner yesterday held an inquest on the body of a well known man found dead in the river, foot of St. Andrew street. A verdict of found drowned was rendered. He was about 50 years of age, 5 feet 5 inches high, had light and reddish colored goatee.

Fire.—The kitchen of Mr R Anderson, a resident, on Eynaud Fields street, between Love and Crapo, was discovered on fire about half past 11 o'clock yesterday morning, and was damaged to the extent of that part of the premises. It is supposed the place was set on fire by an incendiary.

Did not Prosecute.—Florence Blair, who was accused of some days retaining a diamond ring belonging to Mr. Gallagher, on evening, there being no prosecutor, C. P. having left the city, and we suppose the affair was settled amicably.

False Alarm.—The alarm of fire at half past 5 o'clock last night was occasioned by something occurring at a bakery on Orleans alley, which did not result in any inspirations deserving.

Recorder Blache's Court.—This Recorder had a mass of belligerency before him yesterday, some of it, however, of a remarkably facetious character, and a great all of it of no extreme previous to Black Abe's dispersion proclamation. We guess the police magistrate will very properly consider that kind of business to investigate for some time to come, as that spirit will be developed in a becoming manner. The following cases were before the Recorder for consideration: Caleb Reed proceeded against Mortlander, for committing an assault and battery on George Blunder, in a store on Royal street, between Dumaine and St Ann, were committed for trial to the Criminal Court. Both gave bail. Prosper Grelle, f. m. c., and Estevan Mayoro, also free and mulatto, were fined, and brought up for examination on a charge of having with two others, on Burgundy street, between Hospital and Orleans, knocked down Felix Dupre, also a free son of color, and beaten him severely. The two latter were dismissed, and the two others were not found. F. Mandeville was charged by Gerard Huigin with having, at a boarding-house corner of Dumaine and New Levee street, on the 9th inst., struck him a severe blow on the left eye, by means of a billet of wood, and with other violence as to bruise that part of his physiognomy considerably and hurt his feelings generally. F. Mandeville was held to appear for examination. Ellen McGovern, charged with vagrancy, at the corner of Gallatin street; Hippolyte Salomon, charged with pummeling Desire Short, and Charles Miller, charged with thrashing Thomas Garrison, were all dismissed. John Kelly, for wife maltreatment, was committed. M. Bond, at the corner of Bienville and Franklin streets, was committed for trial to the Criminal Court. F. Mand, above mentioned, besides defying the lawful attacking Gerard Huigin, also committed a breach of the peace and assault on the household by striking Jeannette Huigin, wife of Gerard, and for which he will have to answer in due time. Thomas McCarthy is also an individual who has a heart mean enough to instigate violence upon a woman. He was accused of committing the foul and battery upon Ellie Pleutin, at the corner of Franklin and Bienville streets. He gave bail to appear for examination. Henry Springer took it into his head to thrash McCarthy some hours after, for which he was arrested. Springer, in a high fever, will have to take the consequences, which, it would appear, he merits, as he and S-phie Springer are charged with assault and battery, at the same place, on Josephine Ward, early yesterday evening. All hands gave bail to appear for examination.

SALE WITHOUT RESERVE.—*Hoots, Shoes, Brogans, Clothing, Shirts and Hats.*—The particular attention of buyers is called to the large sale, without reserve, of boots, shoes, brogans, clothing, shirts and hats, to take place this day, at 10 o'clock, at the warerooms of Brown & Co., Nos. 45 and 47 Old Levee street. Terms at sale.

THE GREAT STANDARD MEDICINE OF THE DAY.—Stood and vast as our territory is, it would be difficult to find a corner in it where HOSTETTER'S STOMACH BITTERS is not known and used. Where it is dyspepsia—and where is it not?—they are in demand. Nor is it for indigestion alone that they are a specific. Every disorder of the stomach, the liver, the bowels and the kidneys yields to their influence almost as promptly. They are an antidote to pain; they refresh and reinforce the exhausted animal powers; they counteract the morbid principles of disease; they regulate the whole vital machinery, and may be justly termed the great corrective which has been brought to the aid of nature in her struggles with sickness.

Hostetter's Celebrated Stomach Bitters are sold by druggists everywhere. apl7 1t

THE TARIFF TROUBLE AT NEW YORK.—The appearance at the Custom-house yesterday was desolate in the extreme. The large circular hall was almost empty, and in many of the clerks were seen reading the papers. The long benches on which so many have sat waiting for a chance to get a dollar and picked up a job, were unoccupied. The usual appearance of the Custom-house was accordingly wanting in the bustle and excitement which generally characterize the transaction of business. The cause of this unusual state of affairs is, of course, the new tariff, which has come into operation, and which has had the effect of stopping importations for the present. The tariff bill, de-Morrill tariff—that is the cause.—*N Y Herald, 20th.*

A FORGERY.—Wm Mathewson, living some ten miles southeast of Monticello, Drew county, Ark., came here in company with Mr C. L. Banks and O. M. Reed, merchants, and Mr S. Hollowell, planter, all from the same locality, Rochello, Ark. They have known him some five or six months, during which time he has conducted himself in such a way as to gain the confidence of his friends. He left Drew county a few days ago, and returned to Monticello, Ark., with a purchased a stock of goods in the name of Mathewson & Co., and left for this city. He was accompanied by Mr. Reed, who was charged to deliver a draft for $1800, payable to himself, which he said was sent to him by Mr. Battle, for the sale of negroes to Battle, in lieu of which Mr. Reed gave him a draft on Messrs. Hall & Holley, of Drew county, Ark., payable to themselves, on Montgomery & Hall, of New Orleans for Reed-Id-ed-paid him $800 in money, and gave him a receipt for the draft. Mathewson then left, and when the draft was collected, Mr. Reed has been arrested on the charge of having with two others, on Burgundy street, between Hospital and Orleans, knocked down Felix Dupre, also a free son of color, and beaten him severely. The two latter were dismissed, and the two others were not found. F. Mandeville was charged by Gerard Huigin with having, at a boarding-house corner of Dumaine and New Levee street, on the 9th inst., struck him a severe blow on the left eye, by means of a billet of wood, and with other violence as to bruise that part of his physiognomy considerably and hurt his feelings generally. F. Mandeville was held to appear for examination. Ellen McGovern, charged with vagrancy, at the corner of Gallatin street; Hippolyte Salomon, charged with pummeling Desire Short, and Charles Miller, charged with thrashing Thomas Garrison, were all dismissed. John Kelly, for wife maltreatment, was committed. M. Bond, at the corner of Bienville and Franklin streets, was committed for trial to the Criminal Court. F. Mand, above mentioned, besides defying the lawful attacking Gerard Huigin, also committed a breach of the peace and assault on the household by striking Jeannette Huigin, wife of Gerard, and for which he will have to answer in due time. Thomas McCarthy is also an individual who has a heart mean enough to instigate violence upon a woman. He was accused of committing the foul and battery upon Ellie Pleutin, at the corner of Franklin and Bienville streets. He gave bail to appear for examination. Henry Springer took it into his head to thrash McCarthy some hours after, for which he was arrested. Springer, in a high fever, will have to take the consequences, which, it would appear, he merits, as he and S-phie Springer are charged with assault and battery, at the same place, on Josephine Ward, early yesterday evening. All hands gave bail to appear for examination.

YOUNG AMERICA PREFERRED.—The Charleston correspondent of the Richmond *Dispatch* says:

Charleston Precedes for her Young Men.—It is remarkable that our banks are filled with very young men. The old theory is exploded ones, that middle-aged, or *steady* old men are most reliable for guarding and conveying the in the nine banks of this city only four of the presidents are over fifty years of age, and not one of the cashiers exceeds forty, and the tellers and book keepers are all very young men, especially in the Bank of Charleston, where there are