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NEW ORLEANS:
TUESDAY MORNING, APRIL 21, 1863.

Sales at Auction To-Day.

By the Sheriff, at 12 o'clock, at the Merchants' and Auctioneers' Exchange, property in the Second District.

By R. T. Montgomery, at 10 o'clock, at salerooms, 3 Camp street, pickets, cables, unmade sugar, beans, shoulders, flour, lager beer, &c.; at 10½ o'clock, ex steamer Continental, shaker hay and prime yellow corn; at 10½ o'clock, ex steamer Creole, prime yellow Western flint corn; at 10½ o'clock, at the Delta Warehouse, turpentine.

VARIETIES THEATRE.—The performance at this place of amusement to-night will be Shakespeare's great play of "Macbeth," with all of Locke's original and celebrated music.

The George Cromwell, from New York on the 17th, having the mails on board, which had been telegraphed from Fort Jackson at 3 30 P. M., had not reached her wharf at the hour of going to press.

S. B. Bevans & Co.—This firm, of 51 and 53 Poydras street, have just received by steamship Creole and other late arrivals, and offer for sale, a large and select stock of groceries, consisting of 150 firkins choice Goshen butter, 200 boxes E. D'and State cheese, 250 barrels extra flour, 50 casks Jeffrey's sparkling Edinburgh ale, 100 cases choice claret, and other edibles, which are fully set forth in the advertisement published elsewhere.

The Sheriff sells at auction, this day, at noon at the Merchants' and Auctioneers' Exchange, Royal street, between Canal and Customhouse, a valuable improved lot of ground, situated in the suburb Treme, fronting on Orleans street, between Prieur and Johnson, Second District. See advertisement.

The attention of the entire trade is particularly called to the various sales by R. T. Montgomery this day, (Tuesday) the 21st instant, and those wishing to purchase are invited to be present promptly at the hours specified below:

At 10½ o'clock, ex steamer Creole, 1000 sacks prime yellow flint corn. At 10½ o'clock, ex steamer Continental, 270 bales choice hay and 1000 bushels prime yellow and white corn. At 10½ o'clock, (immediately after sale at the steamer Continental) at the Delta Warehouse, 25 barrels turpentine. At 11½ o'clock, ex schooner E. C. Howard, Post 35, Third District, 100 bales hay (slightly damaged) and 100 barrels choice extra flour. At 12 o'clock, at salesroom No. 93 Camp street, extra flour, lager beer, Rio coffee, sugar, salt, tobacco, brooms, hams, lard, whisky, brandy, and sundry other choice groceries. At 11 o'clock, at Old Auction Mart, No. 87 Camp street, a large sale of furniture and a variety of other merchandize. The above sales offer a good opportunity to the various trades to purchase and invest as a speculation, with fine prospects of large profits.

The Latest News from Southern Sources.

FROM JACKSON PAPERS OF THE 13TH.

FROM CHARLESTON.

THE IRON-CLADS DEPARTED

The *Picayune* last evening published an extra, from which we copy the following:

We have a copy of the Memphis (Jackson) *Appeal*, of the morning of the 12th and the afternoon of the 13th inst., from which we take the following summary:

LATEST FROM THE NORTH.

Senatobia, April 12—Under the above date the *Appeal's* special correspondent sends the following summary, gleaned from the Memphis papers of the 10th:

EXPEDITION TO BLACK BAYOU.

An expedition composed of six Iowa, four Missouri, one Illinois, one Ohio regiment, two batteries of artillery, and two regiments of cavalry, was fitted out at Vicksburg for Black Bayou. Gen. Steele was in command. On Sunday, the 5th, the Confederates evacuated their position at the bridge on Black Bayou, burning the structure. The Federals, after re-building it, followed. The *Bulletin* says the expedition may result in something besides missionary victories. There is no doubt the country lay there is nothing to prevent an advance by land. Steele is marching on Yazoo City.

RETURN OF THE YAZOO EXPEDITION.

The *Argus* says the boats that arrived from the Yazoo Pass resemble dilapidated piles of lumber, instead of the trim vessels that entered, upon the expedition. Capt. Ketchum was killed by a fire from the guerrillas.

FEDERAL TROOPS MOVING UP.

Coldwater, April 13.—A gentleman well known at headquarters reports that twenty thousand from Grant's army passed up on the 10th to reinforce Rosecrans.

LATER FROM CHARLESTON.

Charleston, April 12.—During yesterday all was quiet. This morning the enemy's land batteries opened, three going north and four south. The Ironsides was towed over the bar. The impression generally prevails, however, that they will return soon to renew the attack.

Last night, the steamer Stonewall Jackson, formerly the Leopard, while attempting to run into this harbor, was fairly chased by half a dozen blockaders and fired at. The Stonewall received several shots through her hull. The crew and passengers took to their boats, and have reached here. Very little was saved, excepting the mail and passengers' effects. The steamer was burned to the water's edge in sight of the Yankees. Her cargo consisted of several pieces of field artillery, two hundred barrels of saltpetre, 40,000 army shoes, and a large assortment of merchandize.

The following is the official dispatch on the gunboat fight at Palmyra:

To General Sirse:

A report received from Col. Woodward says: With a section of King's Missouri Battery we sunk one gunboat and one transport, and disabled either, on the night of the 5th, near Palmyra, on the Cumberland river.

(Signed) EARL VAN DORN,
Major-General.

CONFEDERATE STATES CONGRESS.

Richmond, April 11.—In the Senate, to-day, the Senate bill to organize an ordinance department was passed. Also, Senate bill prescribing rates of postage on newspapers and Senate bill to organize the Medical Purveyor's Department.

The House, last night, passed a substitute for Senate bill to amend the sequestration law, but the day recommended the Senate bill. Also, the bill to the Judiciary Committee. The House then went into secret session on the tax bill.

GEORGIA LEGISLATURE.

Milledgeville, April 10—The Senate has adopted, as a substitute for the bill indorsing Confederate bonds, a resolution submitting the question to the people at the October election. Yeas 25, nays 10.

The House rejected the Stephens resolution declaring against indorsement. Yeas 51, nays 61.

FROM CHARLESTON—THE BLOCKADE.

Charleston, April 11.—No change in the position of the enemy since yesterday. All is quiet.

The steamer Anna, formerly of New Orleans and Galveston, arrived this morning from Nassau, with a cargo of merchandize, including a large quantity of Havana sugar.

The Attack Upon Charleston.

PARTICULARS OF THE FIRST DAY'S BOMBARDMENT.

The Charleston correspondent of the Mobile *Register* gives the following graphic and interesting description of the first day's battle in Charleston harbor:

Charleston, April 7.—The day of trial and blood to Charleston had at last arrived, and the blow so long impending over this goodly city, like the sword of Damocles, has at length fallen on it. It has fallen not on the city proper, however, and especially the military authorities. Gen. Beauregard had received information some days ago, from a source said by means which must for the present be nameless, that the attack would probably be made on Monday or Tuesday it has been made. Having already sent you a full statement of the affair by telegraph, there is but little left me to add.

It was observed at half past 2 o'clock, P. M., that the Federal fleet, which had been lying off and on but since Sunday afternoon, was approaching in hostile array. Eight turreted iron-clads and the famous iron-covered war steamer Ironsides were put in motion, and advanced to the assault by what is known as "Ship Channel." Gen. Beauregard, whose headquarters are in the city, was promptly notified of the movement by telegraph from Fort Sumter. It may be stated that there are wires running from all the forts and batteries in and around the harbor to the city, and that telegraphic communication is frequent and expeditious between the forts and batteries, as well as with Charleston.

The Ironsides and five of the monitors participated in the engagement. Fort Moultrie was the first to open fire, at five minutes past 3 o'clock. The double-turreted monitor, the most formidable vessel of the Federal armada, quickly responded. Fort Sumter took up the tale, and poured a broadside into the assailing squadron, which was followed in turn by Fort Beauregard and Battery Bee, on Sullivan's Island, and Fort Wagner and Commodore's Point Battery, on Morris Island. In a few minutes the battle became general and the commanding scene. The iron-clads had concentrated a terrific circle of fire, and from every fort and battery by which the outer harbor is girded, it was smoked with great ardor and coolness.

The fire of the enemy was equally rapid, and his fine ordnance and well disciplined crews. The principal attack was directed against Sumter, although all the forts and batteries came in for a share of the enemy's attention. But the monitors, by all it could see, passed over the bar, and, turning, came in one after another, and opened fire upon Sumter, at a distance of about 1,200 yards. The Ironsides, which is a powerful vessel, and carries a battery of fifteen guns, came in last, and opened fire at a distance of about 1,000 yards. She was evidently aiming to run into the fort, and, if possible, to run down the Confederate flag. She was allowed to approach within 600 yards, when she received a shot from Fort Wagner that took effect in the stern of the Ironsides. It is believed she was also penetrated in the side. As steam could be distinctly seen issuing from her side next to the city. She soon withdrew from out of range of our guns, and for the remainder of the time was a silent spectator of the conflict. This was a great triumph, as she was manifestly looked up to to test the strength of Fort Sumter. About 5 o'clock the Keokuk also withdrew, evidently badly injured. The others followed soon, and by half past 5 the entire fleet had retired, and when last seen was rounding Morris's Island to the southward.

The practice of our gunners, after they had got the range, was excellent. The enemy's vessels (which were sunk by pumping in water until the decks were nearly level with the sea) were frequently struck, and nearly all their sunkstacks were perforated. This, too, notwithstanding they kept shifting their positions. Occasionally they would steam up within one thousand yards of Sumter, but for the greater part of the time they maintained the fight at a distance of fifteen hundred or two thousand yards. Late in the evening the Ironsides and three Monitors were seen moving off slowly around Morris's Island, as if they might be going to Port Royal for repairs.

The casualties on our side were slight, considering the nature of the conflict and the monster projectiles used by the enemy. In Fort Sumter a drummer boy and five men were wounded, two of the men and the boy seriously. One 10 inch Columbiad was dismounted, and one 8 inch burst. The former will be remounted to-night. The fort was struck thirty-four times, and the flag had a hole shot through it. No casualties occurred on Sullivan's Island, except the shooting away of the flag staff and the accidental fall of a man who was trying to secure it, and from which he died soon afterward. On Morris's Island (at Fort Wagner) six men were wounded by the accidental explosion of an ammunition chest, two of whom have since died. Two others are badly injured, and will probably die before morning.

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Battle is long after midnight, and I must cease.

P. V. A.

From the West Indies.

The New York papers of the 8th have the following West India advices:

THE CONFEDERATE RAM STONEWALL AT WILMINGTON—AFFAIRS AT NASSAU, BERMUDA, JAMAICA, ANTIGUA, ETC.

The Bermuda *Royal Gazette* of March 24 has been received.

The British neutral blockade runner Cornubia arrived at St. Georges from Wilmington, N. C., on the 22d of March, with a cargo of 314 bales of cotton, 29 casks of tobacco, and two casks of turpentine.

The British schooner St. George also arrived on the 23d of March, from the same port, with 145 bales of cotton, 151 barrels of resin, and 50 boxes of tobacco.

BERMUDA.

The shipping of the new route had commenced, causing a revival of business.

A bill has passed the Legislature, extending to other ports steamers bringing letters from Europe or America to Bermuda, the same privileges as are granted to the Royal Mail Steamship Packet Company.

DEMERARA.

Trade is stagnant. Large numbers of Africans have been imported here from St. Helena. Seventy four females, seduced from there by the promises of a carrish, were much disappointed, and the Governor refused to pay their passage.

Gold has been discovered in the Cuyuni river.

ANTIGUA.

Small pox is raging fearfully at Antigua.

GRENADA.

A joint stock company has been started, in which the Lieutenant-Governor is a large stockholder.

JAMAICA.

Emigrants from the East Indies continue to arrive—281 having just reached Jamaica from Madras.

Operations up the Ware River.

Under this head, the Washington correspondent of the New York *Times*, writing under date of the 10th, says:

Commander Gillis, of the gunboat Commodore Morris, has done some necessary work up the Ware River, a tributary of the York. A venomous rebel, named Patterson Smith, having 20,000 bushels of corn which he was bargaining to the rebel government for, refused until he was tempted by Gillis, and furnished with an opportunity of showing that he was as base a traitor as he dared, in reply to questions put to him. The result was that Smith paid Gen. Keyes a visit of congratulation, and the corn was promptly shipped. Gillis saved 1500 bushels of wheat, and 1500 bushels of negroes, together with two thousand bushels of wheat, were burned. Gillis used a force of one hundred men in this work, and had to fight a large body of rebel cavalry. He used shells in dispersing them, and the bursting of his shells played havoc with the rebels. The plantation of another rebel named Bird was also visited by Gillis, and one thousand bushels of wheat and three thousand bushels of corn consumed—the whole under the investigation of rebel cavalry and continuous fighting.

THE EXCITEMENT IN PENNSYLVANIA.

Examination of the Persons Arrested at Reading.

ATTEMPTED RESCUE OF THE PRISONERS.

We published last evening a short telegraphic dispatch, referring to recent excitements in Pennsylvania. We now give the following particulars on the subject, which we copy from our latest files. Says the *Evening Post* of the 10th:

The Knights of the Golden Circle who were arrested at Reading, Pa., on Wednesday, had a hearing in Philadelphia yesterday. The testimony was made in the investigation of the witnesses are most important, showing that it was deliberately plotted that President Lincoln should be abducted, that a Northwestern Confederacy is contemplated, at the very least, and that the Governors of Northern States in the North, the West, and in the army, that a deserting soldier was recognized by the signs and grips, understood by the members only, and that five deserters were received in the military camps while in the State of Indiana.

The persons under arrest are Philip Huber, Augustus F. Ilig, Gabriel Fisher and Harrison Oxenrider. Huber is the prime mover in the organization, of which there are several branches in Berks county.

TESTIMONY OF A DETECTIVE OFFICER.

The first witness sworn was William Y. Lyon, a United States detective. He testified that on the 21st of March, hearing that a treasonable meeting was to be held, he proceeded to the place (a barn,) and concealed himself under the straw. Presently, a number men had assembled, before they proceeded to business. Henry Huber, a tinner, then went through the barn, if there were any spies concealed in it. He directed them to run a dung-fork or hay-fork into the straw. To see if there were any spies concealed under it; after this was done, he ordered tickets to be thrown to the floor. They were between 9 and 10 o'clock; the men went out, then the men inside took the obligation; Mr. Huber did the talking; he denounced the war as unholy and unjust; he said that the society was a million strong; hesitated that it first was organized in the South; that the signs, grips, passwords and grips. He administered the obligation; there were eight or nine men who joined on that occasion by taking the obligation, which was in this form:

"Are you in favor of Andrew Johnson of Abraham Lincoln, by force if necessary? Are you in favor of a Northwestern Confederacy? Are you in favor of resisting the draft or the Conscription act?"

The witness also testified that Huber had said to him personally that the society meant to use force to accomplish its purposes.

RESISTANCE TO THE LAWS.

One Frederick Pfeitz, was the next witness. He said he got acquainted with Huber at a meeting at the house of one Mr. Hoyer. Huber called the meeting by private means, the object was to take measures to resist the draft. Huber referred to the case of resistance in Juniata county, and said if this was the case would be done here; that if any one of the members should be taken and sent to Fort Warren, he would be rescued, even if they had to tear the fort down; he said also there were one or two million of men belonging to the organization all over the South and North, and in the army. He said that they knew each other by signs, and then stated a case of a soldier passing on the road, who gave him the sign, and he knew him by it.

Other witnesses fully corroborated the evidence of Messrs. Lyon and Prints. Finally, it having been stated that there were other important witnesses, the case was adjourned until Monday next, all the accused being held in bail in sums of $5000 and $4000 each.

ATTEMPTED RESCUE OF THE PRISONERS.

In connection with the above arrests we have created the greatest excitement. The associates of the guilty parties immediately called meetings of the lodges, and at these meetings held on Wednesday night, it was decided that a delegation of the members of the secret societies should proceed early on Thursday morning to Reading, the object being to display the force of the association, and to take such measures as might be deemed necessary to rescue the four who had been arrested, who were supposed to be still in prison in Reading.

"Accordingly, about eight o'clock on Thursday morning, about two hundred and eighty farmers, residing within ten miles of Reading, assembled on the turnpike and marched into the city. When they arrived within one mile they halted and waited for the committee, which they said had promised to go from Reading to meet them. No committee came, and they marched into Reading in procession, four abreast, and halted in front of the Courthouse, about eleven o'clock. An immense crowd assembled, and the confusion increased.

"Finally, the Mayor attempted to make an address to pacify the crowd, but without success. Members of the society were hooted and hissed, and there was every indication of an outbreak and great trouble. The precaution had been taken to arrange with the railroad employees, to the number of at least five hundred, to assemble at the eight story of the depot and if their services were needed, and it was seriously contemplated to call them out to defend the city. One of the society, who had been knocked down and kicked by the indignant people, was rescued by the Mayor.

"Finally, by great exertion on the part of those in authority, the crowd was quieted and dispersed. Later in the day some half dozen members who were visiting a tavern were severely beaten and threatened with hanging."

A dispatch to the *Inquirer*, dated 10 o'clock last night, says:

"George Lash, a German farmer, who participated in the procession, has been arrested and held in ten thousand dollars bail. The Mayor is now swearing in additional constables, certain parties having made efforts to raise an alarm of fire and create disturbance."

CITY INTELLIGENCE.

The Habeas Corpus Case—Release of the Prisoner—Judge Whitaker, of the Second District Court, yesterday, gave the following decision in the case of *A. A. Cohen vs. Judah Benjamin et al.*, writs of *habeas corpus*. In July, 1862, A. A. Cohen was arrested by the Provost Court for certain parties, Celeste and Joseph, both of color, and imprisoned. The amount of bail was improperly set at that time by Judge Bell, but the judgment compelling him to pay was subsequently satisfied, with the consent of the judge, by the execution and delivery by the relator of two promissory notes for $3,000 each, payable at six months, and one for $500 75, payable at twelve months—to the said Celeste and Joseph—and the said Cohen was fully discharged by the Court, as appears by the evidence on file.

On the 17th of March, 1863, before the late Judge Dede Hughes, acting as Provost Judge, relator was charged with contempt of court, for not paying the notes, and committed to the Parish Prison for an indefinite period, or until he shall have paid the amount due.

"It is very clear that, under the orders emanating from the Military Department of the Gulf, the Provost Court is not now clothed with civil jurisdiction in whatever degree it may have been exercised therein heretofore. It is further clear that the proper business relative to enforcing payment upon these notes is strictly one of a civil nature, and does not come in the Provost Court as appears to me. Celeste and Joseph, represented to be free persons of color, had by law no right to deal in slaves. They were received in violation of the claims under order of the Provost Judge. It is consequently for them to pursue the relator in the tribunals at present legally constituted and having cognizance of an insolvency.

"In the letter I up of the relator is evidently illegal, and it is therefore ordered that he be discharged."

United States Provisional Court—Judge Peabody—Monday.—At the opening of the Court, yesterday, the following decisions were rendered by the Bench:

Charlotte Livingston vs. Peter Soniar. The defendant, in consideration of the lease of the ground, covenanted to "put up a one-story house, to contain four rooms and a five-foot gallery on it. This there is no evidence that he has not done. On the contrary, it is proved and admitted that he has done it. It is claimed that it is not built and finished in a tenantable manner. The letter of the contract is certainly complied with. A house with four rooms and a five-foot gallery has been built, and that is the end of the matter. Whether the house was not made tenantable originally is at least doubtful. Some witnesses say that it is out of order now. But the plaintiff accepted it as satisfactory, and expressed herself satisfied and pleased with it. Under the circumstances, at least none she should recede from it and notify defendant of her determination to recede, and require further fulfillment by him. This it does not appear she has done. I think, moreover, that the contract by defendant has been performed substantially.

"A hou e answering to the contract, I think, was erected. The defendant's covenant is very brief and general. Plaintiff cannot complain that the contract was not to be full specific. If the house is now out of order in any elements of moral obligation, in my view strong between the parties as to implication under the contract, it would seem it must have become so since plaintiff accepted it as complete. At all events the evidence does not show that there was not a house erected which corresponded with the contract. It is all at least that defendant has stipulated. If it did not, but plaintiff is satisfied with it and accepted it, she has waived any failure or short-comings of the defendant, and cannot now be heard to complain.

"Second, I am of that the contract is vary and meagre as it is has been fulfilled, or rather, the burden lieing on plaintiff of showing both the contract and the non fulfillment of it. I think that she has not shown that it has not been fulfilled, and that defendant has a right to recover. Second, I think that if the non-fulfillment be shown, she has waived it by accepting something less in lieu of it.

Kelly vs Leasque—The plaintiff served under contract out of the city of New Orleans, and was compelled by ill-health to cease his service. He left service of defendant without any fault of the defendant, and the most he can ask is to be paid for the time he was there. That much he has been paid.

The breach of the contract was made by the plaintiff, and though not his fault, still being unable to perform, he cannot call on the defendant to perform his part. The defendant had a right when plaintiff had failed to perform, to terminate the contract and do so. He exercised his right. The tender did, and he was no longer liable to the plaintiff for his salary.

The services rendered by the plaintiff on defendant's other plantation, and all the services rendered by plaintiff outside of the entire agreement, are not so intended by the parties at the time, I think.

The use of the mules and horses, of the other things, for which defendant claims in reconvention, were also gratuitous.

Judgment for plaintiff, with the reasons that indicated the plaintiff to under some services gratuitously for the defendant, and one was, in some sense, the consideration of the other parties, but they were essentially and legally gratuitous, however.

Neither party is indebted to the other, and there must be judgment accordingly."

Mr. Earhart moved for a rule on the Sequestration Commission to show cause why they should not pay over the amount of a judgment rendered in certain case, from funds in their hands; but the motion was refused, on the ground that this Court could not order the representatives of the Commanding General of this Department to do any thing of the kind—as well might the President himself be ordered to appear and answer in the Supreme Court.

In the case of Smith vs. Muhlenburg, a rule on the defendant was moved by Mr. Durant to show cause why the account between the parties should not have a referee appointed. Mr. Hunt not objecting, the rule was made instanter, and John M. Dimbrio was appointed the accountant.

In the confiscation cases of John Sibell, Adam Gilfen, W. D. Hill, Henry W. Conner, Dr. Benj. Roach, Daniel W. Adams, Wm. Jefferson, Jas. Harrington, Wm. Reed and, J. D. Hill and H. O. Allen, the prosecuting attorney, Mr. Lamothe, moved that default be entered against all persons interested, except those who have appeared and made claims.

In the case of Adams, he moved for an order of sale. Upon the intervention of Mr. Horner, who claimed that the schooner be some bearing on the part of defendants in these cases, the question was referred to the consideration of the Court.

Generally.—Outside of the Courts, yesterday, we met with nothing worthy of investigating. Even the police stations presented no cases of arrest of the slightest interest.

[FROM OUR EVENING EDITION OF YESTERDAY.]

EUROPEAN INTELLIGENCE.

We complete this evening our extracts from the latest European advices received at New York:

THE AFFAIRS OF POLAND IN THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

In the House of Commons, Monday, March 23, Mr. Hankinson called attention to Poland. He wanted to know what the Government were doing in behalf of Poland. He contended that England had not only a right, but was bound to interfere in Polish affairs, but she was under a moral obligation to do so.

Lord Palmerston said that although this country had a right to interfere, no engagement had been entered into by England in the Treaty of Vienna, which imposed upon England the obligation of interfering by force of arms to compel the execution of the treaty.

NAPOLEON COMPLIMENTS M. BILLAULT.

The *Moniteur* says the Emperor has addressed the following letter to M. Billault:

"I have just read your speech, and, as ever, have been happy to find in you the faithful expounder and interpreter of my policy. You have been able to reconcile the expression of my sympathies for the cause dear to France with the regard due to foreign sovereigns and Governments. Your words were on all points in accordance with my sentiments. That is why I rejoice at your other interpretation of my sentiments.

"NAPOLEON."

INDICATIONS IN THE FRENCH PAPERS.

The news is entirely incorrect that 12,000 men are being concentrated at Toulon in order to be sent to Mexico. The troops at Toulon are destined for Algeria.

The *Constitutionnel* formally contradicts the news of Russian troops having entered Prussian territory.

The *Gazette de France* has received a warning.

A telegram from Paris of March 31, says: A debate took place in the Senate upon the bill granting extraordinary credits to the Government. M. Fould stated The expenses that foreseen by the regular budget for 1863 are estimated at 1,800,000,000 francs. This has been regulated under comparatively favorable circumstances. According to the expenses in the first two months, the budget of 1863 will afford a surplus of 70,000,000.

Important Correspondence Between Earl Russell and the American Minister in London on the Privateer Alabama.

Upon this subject a very lengthy correspondence has passed between Earl Russell and Mr. Adams, from which we make the following extract:

Mr. Adams to Earl Russell.

LEGATION OF THE UNITED STATES, London, June 29, 1863.

My Lord—I have the honor to acknowledge the reception of your Lordship's letter of the 19th instant, in reply to mine pointing out some of the 30th of last month, respecting the case of the outfit from Liverpool of the iron steamer No. 290 to depredate on the commerce of the United States.

Your Lordship is pleased to express a conclusion on the following grounds made by me. I repeat the paragraph as it stands in your note:

The admitted fact of a violation of a municipal law of this kingdom intended to prevent the perpetration in it of hostilities against a friendly power, by combining wanton and injurious acts of aggression upon it within the limits of its territories, which Her Majesty's Ministers are ignorantly or unwillingly injured, by failing to take due care to prevent the commission of those acts, is sufficient to justify any complaint, but which, by reasonable explanations, Her Majesty's Ministers are always ready to receive and consider, and to do all that they can properly do to prevent the repetition of such injuries."

I cannot but express my surprise at finding in this statement, coming from so high a source, a disposition to treat the subject in a manner so entirely different from that which I had supposed to be the only one admissible between two friendly powers. I had supposed that the fact of the violation of the municipal law of this kingdom was admitted, and that the only question to be considered was the amount of reparation to be made for the injuries resulting from that violation. I had supposed that the principle of reparation was also admitted, and that the only question to be considered was the amount of reparation to be made for the injuries resulting from that violation. I had supposed that the principle of reparation was also admitted, and that the only question to be considered was the amount of reparation to be made for the injuries resulting from that violation.

Of my profound respect for your lordship's representation I have evinced the strongest proof in the whole course of my correspondence. But in the paragraph with the utmost care I have compiled with your lordship's request, and have polished now to express my meaning sufficiently to justify me in the implications which your lordship supposes to desire to raise from it. Starting from a point of moral obligation, in my view as strong between nations as it is between individuals, that every injury so inflicted is an injury, of which, if not prevented, it has a right to complain, provided that it give notice in time to enable me for the application of adequate means of prevention, should be so far as practicable prevented or compensated for by the Government which may, or suffers it to be done by persons under its control. I have applied the general principle to the case before me. The fact that warning had been given in full season to prevent the departure of "290" does not appear to me to be material, inasmuch as it simply is a question of dates open to the inspection of all men. The fact that her Majesty's government were convinced of the justice of the representation made, is patent from the determination in which your lordship communicates that the same should be detained in the vessel. The fact that the decision was so long delayed as to fail in effecting the object intended, whether by great injury has been actually done, and is yet likely to ensue, to the commerce of the United States, is equally a matter of public and notorious fact. Inasmuch as these constitute the substance of the paragraph of my note to which exception is taken, I cannot confess myself wholly at a loss to conceive upon what grounds any doubt can further be raised as to its meaning.

But your lordship proceeds to do me the honor to address a series of questions to me as to the possible meaning that may be conveyed in my language, which might truly, from the full terms to set out. I am, however, unwilling to suppose that any of some kind or other that I have not distinctly expressed. I must respectfully ask to be excused from entering into any such field of controversy. I desire neither to make charges nor to raise implications of an unnecessary character, complicate the difficulties of this painful subject. All that I deem it my duty to know is a grievous wrong has been done to an innocent and friendly nation, by what seems to me to have been a most unfortunate delay in effecting a prevention of the injury, which every effort in my power ought to have been applied in time. Of the reasons that prevented such an application, inasmuch as none of them could have grown out of the course of the injured party, I have no wish to enter into a discussion. I am perfectly confident in the security that right should be done, but that it should be sufficiently prompt to effect its object. Otherwise it is justice denied. Upon that I am content to rely.

As it is probable that I may receive at an early moment further instructions from my government in respect to the substantial point involved in the present correspondence, I deem it unadvisable further to take up your lordship's time by enlarging the limits of the discussion of merely incidental questions. I shall not, therefore, be obliged to your lordship for the speedy and full manner in which your lordship has exonerated me from the suspicion of encouraging the enlistment of her Majesty's subjects in the service of the United States. At the same time I am not without regret that I perceive your lordship's mind is still set against the government of the United States. If I understand your lordship aright, it is now affirmed that because the government offers large bounties on enlistment in the United States, and because 10,000 men have been enlisted in the North, and by these bounties, do occasionally enlist, therefore your lordship is justified in having affirmed, by your former note, that the Government of the United States systematically and in disregard of the comity of nations, encourages enlistments against us. As well might it, in turn, in view of the frequent applications made to me to procure the discharge of citizens of the United States who have been tempted in the same manner to enlist in her Majesty's service in this kingdom, assume the same ground. I am, however, unwilling to believe that the presence of a general offer I do not perceive that your Lordship's reference to the action of Mr. Seward, of which I cannot in a situation to speak authoritatively, appears to extend. Further than this, I must still continue to disclaim the belief in the existence of any systematic policy, as well in the one case as in the other. I pray &c.,

CHARLES FRANCIS ADAMS.

As the above is a reply to Earl Russell's letter, and it goes pretty exclusively over the grounds taken by the English Minister of Foreign Affairs, we give only the subsequent instructions sent to Lord Lyons by Earl Russell, with regard to the position assumed by the English Government on this subject:

Earl Russell to Lord Lyons.

FOREIGN OFFICE, Jan 28, 1863.

I have to state to your lordship that I lately received from Mr Adams some papers respecting the proceedings of the Alabama, which Mr. Adams informed me he had been instructed to submit for the consideration of her Majesty's Government.

These papers contain accounts of the various captures made by the Alabama, but they do not appear to Her Majesty's government to affect in any way the principles of international law applicable to that ship, upon which the answer of Her Majesty's government to the demands of the United government in this case have been framed. Some of the memorialists pray that the United States Government will so order their naval operations as to prevent the captures made by the Alabama. That is the object of the remedy for the evil of which the memorialists complain, but it is so, of course, one with which Her Majesty's have no concern.

Mr. Adams, from his note to your Lordship in the case of the Sunbeam.

Earl Russell to Lord Lyons.

FOREIGN OFFICE, February 14, 1863.

My Lord—I had a conversation a few days ago with Mr. Adams on the subject of the Alabama.

It did not appear that this Government desired to carry on the controversy on this subject from Washington; they rather left the conduct of the argument to Mr. Adams.

On a second point, however, namely—whether the law with respect to equipment of vessels for hostile purposes might be improved—that his Government were ready to listen to any propositions her Majesty's Government had to make: but they did not see how their own law on this subject could be improved.

I said that the Cabinet had come to a similar conclusion, so that no further proceedings need be taken at present on this subject.

I am, &c.

RUSSELL.

News from Washington.

From our latest files we compile the following Washington intelligence:

EXEMPTIONS FROM THE DRAFT.

Says the *Times's* correspondent, under date of the 9th:

A Medical Board was organized here to-day, to examine persons claiming exemption from draft on the plea of disability.

The same paper contains the following:

ACTIVITY OF GEN. STAHL.

Washington, Thursday, April 9—Sixty or seventy rebel prisoners have arrived here from Gen. Stahl's division. They were captured by Gen. Copeland's cavalry force, who recently made a reconnoissance to Aldie, Middleburgh and Rupersville, in Loudon county, Va., but found no enemy in force. Small parties of rebels were, however, discovered, and sixteen dispersed or taken prisoners. Only seventeen of them acknowledge they had any connection with Mosby's gang. The remainder are bushwhackers and citizens. Over a hundred horses, including some stolen from Gen. Stoughton and Staff, were recovered.

COMMANDER GOLDSBOROUGH CAPTURE.

Commander Goldsborough reports to the Navy Department that, on the 25th ultimo the gunboat Kanawha captured the schooner Clara off Mobile, laden with a general cargo. The Clara was attempting to run the blockade at that port.

RELATIONS OF THE UNITED STATES WITH ENGLAND.

Under this head the Washington correspondent of the *Herald*, writing under date of the 10th, says:

The statement that Secretary Seward had detected any menace of war with England to be communicated to that Government by Mr. Adams is a very great exaggeration of the fact. Mr. Seward has persistingly demonstrated friendly and with proper warmth, against the use of privateers to prey upon American commerce, but he has not yet gone beyond such remonstrances, and has especially avoided any warlike threats. The conduct of the English in this respect has been the subject of serious discussive conference, which has not lately assumed any new aspect.

News from Fortress Monroe.

The New York papers of the 11th furnish us with the following advices from Fortress Monroe:

Fortress Monroe, Thursday, April 9.—The flag of truce boat Robert Morris, in charge of Captain Baker, left this port on Sunday morning for City Point, with about 500 rebel prisoners. Also the Nelly Pentz, with nearly the same number.

The Ninth Vermont regiment have arrived here and are in camp.

Dr. Hunter Smith, Asst-ant Surgeon United States Army, and for some time past in charge of the post hospital here, has been ordered to report to General Rosecrans. The men under his charge will be here, have presented him with a valuable set of gold mounted harness, and left Yorktown last Tuesday for Mobjack Bay, and ran up Ware river, where they remained that day, took two contrabands, and next day proceeded up North river, where they found two planters, who took the oath of allegiance. Nearly made their appearance from the woods, but on seeing the gunboat which accompanied the expedition they ran away in hot haste. The expedition here captured twelve contrabands and four very fine horses, and returned to Yorktown at 4 o'clock. Nothing was seen to considerable bodies of rebel troops.

Gen Dix being absent from this department, Gen. Keyes is acting in his place to-day, and returned to Yorktown at a late hour this after noon.

From San Francisco.

The following proclamation from General Wright has been published in the latest Northern papers:

San Francisco, Thursday, April 9.—General Wright has issued a proclamation, which contains the following:

Although the great mass of people on the Pacific coast are eminently patriotic and devoted to the Union cause, yet there are, unfortunately, fellow-citizens, we must not conceal from ourselves the fact that we have traitors in our midst, who are doing all in their power to involve this country in the horrors of civil war. In such persons, I say, peace and safety are incompatible, and I am not the one to plunge into the yawning abyss of treason. An indignant people will rise in their majesty, and swift retributive justice will be their certain doom.

EXCITEMENT IN PENNSYLVANIA.—The *Times* publishes the following dispatch:

Reading, Penn., Friday, April 10—The disturbance which was anticipated last night did not occur this morning.

Philadelphia, Friday, April 10—Filbert, one of the accused Knights