





SECULAR DEPARTMENT

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SUMMARY.

The following we regard as by far the most significant item of intelligence that we have received within the last six months, not excepting the victory of Mansfield Plains.

Orders from Washington directing the suspension of coin payments on demand United States Treasury notes, have been received at the Sub-Treasury in this city, and are obeyed.

A dispatch from a leading Bank in New York, to one of our banking houses, of yesterday's date, says: "United States Treasury notes are not redeemed. We cannot receive them on deposit until provision is made for payment."

This is the beginning of the end. Suspension of specie payment by the banks will inevitably follow suspension by the government.

Nothing but a speedy abandonment of her present insane course can save the North from the war beyond the next three months will be utterly impracticable.

The U. S. navy continues to perpetrate outrages upon Confederate State citizens and upon British commerce. From the Key West correspondence of the N. Y. Express we have the following important intelligence:

The United States steamship Santiago de Cuba, Captain Bledley, arrived at this point on the 12th from a cruise in the Gulf of Mexico.

The Santiago also boarded a British schooner, the Equino Smith, in the Gulf, bound likewise from Havana to Matanzas.

What was the pretext for seizing the Victoria? She was not a British schooner, but a schooner from Havana to Matanzas.

The Cincinnati Commercial of the 1st ult. says: "It is reported that Gen. Beall writes to Washington that his army in Kentucky is an armed mob, and that he must have time to work it up before he makes an advance."

A telegram from Richmond, dated January 6th, says: "Many extravagant reports have prevailed at Richmond during the past two days in regard to Gen. Edward Johnson's movements at Albany."

WAR NEWS.

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The great satisfaction of the army, after fulfilling its mission from the Government would be to return to its own country with the certainty of having relieved the afflictions of the Mexicans.

The Louisville Courier adds another to the infamous crimes which have been perpetrated by the Lincolnites in Kentucky.

We learn that Mr. Morehead, an estimable and venerable lady residing at Sacramento, was arrested and forcibly carried off to the camps at Calloun by these vile miscreants.

The French fleet has arrived at Havana for the purpose of co-operating with the Spanish fleet against Mexico.

The London times is highly judgmental at the stone blockade of the Southern ports, and announces it as an act of hostility to the whole human race.

Gen. Williams, of Kansas, is erecting fortifications in Canada, so as to command Detroit.

A mercantile firm in Memphis has received a letter from a friend in Southern Kentucky, stating that the Federal Government has made clandestine arrangements to have all the contents of a desperate character in Northern prisons pardoned.

The Federal Government believes this a good and effectual mode of crippling the Confederate States.

This information is obtained from a party in the employ of the Federal Government, and is communicated by a sympathizer with the South for the purpose of putting our people on their guard.

It is reported that twenty Federal officers at Cairo have resigned and gone home.

THE PERILS OF PEACE. If the fruits of the Southern Revolution are not to turn to ashes in our hands, the framers of our laws must not only impose restrictions, but a total prohibition upon the exercise of the right of suffrage by persons coming here after the war with the North.

The British ship Storm King, which arrived at Quebec on the 10th inst., reports that the U. S. ship Portsmouth, ran into and tried to sink her on the 14th September, in the Irish Channel.

Army Correspondence.

COLUMBUS, Ky., Dec. 28, 1861.

DEAR BRO. GRAYES:—As the excitement and hilarity incident to Christmas has pretty well passed I will attempt to write to you tonight.

As every thing has been reduced to a strictly cash basis throughout the Southern Confederacy, by the operations of war, we are compelled to do what we ought in justice to our patrons and ourselves to have done years ago, viz: place this paper on

A Purely Cash Basis. This we have long been convinced is the most safe and business like plan of conducting a paper, and the only one that will insure the long and healthy continuance of a Religious paper, most especially, owing to the small support they receive from advertising.

No Newspaper Agents. Will visit you when you are the least prepared to see me, and

No Editorial Days. Will meet your eye to harass and spoil your enjoyment in reading your papers.

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On the first day of January, 1862. To drop every subscriber who has not paid in advance for '62. If the name is not dropped the first or second week, it will be because the Clerk has not had time to go through the books.

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Robinson's Historical Works, in two vols. \$7.50. Vol. I. History of Baptists. \$4.00. Vol. II. History of Baptists. \$4.00.

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HOW TO SEND MONEY. When it is possible, procure a check or draft payable to order; when not, have some individual to see that the money is sent, and deposit it in the New York office.

RAILROAD INTELLIGENCE. For the benefit of those who have not had an opportunity to publish weekly the schedule of the various roads for this month in this city:

NASHVILLE AND CHATTANOOGA RAILROAD. CHANGE OF SCHEDULE. On and after Wednesday, November 10th, 1861, Passenger Trains on the Nashville and Chattanooga Railroad will leave as follows:

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