

JEFF DAVIS.

Changes Favorable to His Condition Brought About Through the Influence of His Wife—Favorable Stories About the Health of Davis, &c.

JEFF DAVIS, published on the 10th instant, it was in error in attributing the changes in the number and patrols of the guard to the influence of Dr. Cooper, as also giving him credit for the additional hours allowed Mr. Davis for daily exercise.

Through the influence of Mrs. Davis these important changes, bearing so vitally upon the health of her husband, were effected. She writes a letter to President Johnson directing, giving him an account of the failing health of Mr. Davis, and soliciting the changes referred to, which requests, as the results have shown, met with prompt compliance.

Another picture of his life a glorious counterpart of the entire life of the medicinal monks—wines of the rarest vintage at his command; table luxuries undreamed of in the vast cuisine of the great Dr. Sover, and cigars of a quality and fragrance rivaling the highest.

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His health is falling, and falling very rapidly. This statement has been often made, at different times, with more or less authority; and although it may not be the direct result of any settled disease, or a disposition to periodical attacks of sickness, it may be, in a great measure, attributable to a frequently broken rest, and the unceasing, tiresome vigilance of the guards, which surround his cell both day and night.

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and the whole force of the two regiments being required to furnish the essential details of men, they are subjected to one ceaseless round of duty day after day.

Such is a hasty description of affairs here as they stand at present, and it is but echoing the thoughts of many, and the wishes of the stoutest of his countrymen, that it be to be hoped his trial is not far off, and the great question, "Is treason a crime?" forever decided.

Mr. Davis frequently converses upon the subject of his indictment by the grand jury sitting in session in your city, and his anticipated trial in June. It may be perfectly relied upon that he has expressed unqualified approval and pleasure over this action of the jury, confident that the Government will not interfere with his trial before the United States Circuit Court.—North Virginia.

It is a dull but beautiful city, with a spiky little daisy payer, two or three hotels, churches that hold meetings every evening, and no theaters, and no horse railroad. It is on high ground, and its streets are abundantly supplied with trees.

Some of the incidents of Mr. Seward's life may be interesting at this time. He came to Auburn in 1823, having been admitted to the bar the preceding year. He formed a partnership with Judge William C. Burleigh, and in 1824 married the Judge's youngest daughter, Frances Adeline.

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MEXICO.

Affairs of the Empire—The Ex-Confederate—Max an Abolitionist, &c.

Advices from the City of Mexico, up to the 18th instant, state that Max, the ex-Confederate settler in Mexico had had an interview with Maximilian, during which the Emperor welcomed him as "exiles," and expressed his desire to see American capital and labor introduced into the country, but urging, at the same time, to take no part in the political divisions.

The mortality of Mexico city is reported to be very great, and the cause is the defective sewerage and accumulation of filth within the city walls. An American engineer had constructed to drain the valley of Mexico. Another inundation was feared, the waters of Lake Texcoco were rising, and on their leaving at the level of the capital, Maximilian had sent a communication to the Minister in charge of the civil list directing certain important reductions to be made in the expenses of his household, at the same time authorizing five hundred dollars per annum.

The steamer "Lyon"—Explosion on the St. Lawrence—Terrible Havoc. Our Montreal exchanges bring us the following details of the terrible explosion near that city on Thursday, the 17th instant.

The steambot Lyon, formerly the St. Andrew, yesterday passed down the locks from the canal on a trial trip, after having had a new boiler and engine put in, and sundry repairs effected. A number of guests were invited to make the trip with her, and among them were the engineer and workmen who had just finished the alterations and repairs.

The fire-box end, which is an immense weight, was thrown upon the high bank near the Hochelaga wharf, and then fell into the water, and the water's edge. The cover of the boiler, and large fragments were hurled through the air, and one man was observed to be whirled round at a distance of thirty feet from the explosion, and then fell into the water, but was afterwards taken out by one of the artillery, several of whom rushed to the spot on hearing the noise.

The owners of the boat, Messrs. William and Robert Standish, were on board, and the latter was scalded and otherwise hurt. The Captain's name is Lee. He was scalded, and his son, Jeff, Lee, is missing. Antoine Lerocque, pilot, from Bismar, had been less broken, as Benjamin Jerome, of Rigaud, Captain of the barge Rose, is missing; Tourville Mallette had his leg broken, and Xavier Lefebvre was so injured about the head that it is doubtful whether he will survive.

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HIGHLY IMPORTANT!

THE SPANISH-CHILIAN WAR.

BOMBARDMENT OF CALLAO.

DISASTROUS DEFEAT OF THE "DONS"

ALL OF THE SPANISH VESSELS SERIOUSLY DAMAGED.

ADMIRAL NUNEZ BADLY WOUNDED

INSIGNIFICANT LOSS OF THE CHILIANS.

Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc., Etc.

NEW YORK, May 21.—The steamer Arizona has arrived from Aspinwall, with \$1,291,000 in gold. The Spanish fleet had bombarded Callao, but were repulsed, all the vessels being more or less damaged. Admiral Nunez was badly wounded. Little damage was done to the city. Ten Peruvians were killed and twenty wounded. The Spanish loss is supposed to be heavy. The Peruvian Secretary of War was killed. The United States steamer Vanderbilt and monitor Monadnock have arrived at Aspinwall.

THE BOMBARDMENT

Full Particulars—Withdrawal of the Spanish Fleet—Blockade of Valparaiso Raised—Rejoicings at Panama, &c., &c., &c.

NEW YORK, May 21.—The following details are furnished by the Panama Star and Herald extra of the 13th instant:—The United States flagship Vanderbilt and monitor Monadnock arrived in the harbor of Panama on the evening of the 13th instant, having sailed from Callao on the 3d.

By these vessels we have news of the result of the bombardment of Callao. On the 2d instant, at noon, the action commenced from the shore batteries, the fire being returned by the Berenguela, Villa de Madrid, and Blanca on the northern side, and the Numancia, Resolucion, and Almansa, on the southern.

The Villa de Madrid and Berenguela were so badly damaged early in the fight that they were obliged to withdraw to San Lorenzo, and were afterwards followed by the Numancia and the rest of the fleet, all more or less damaged. The Spanish Admiral Nunez is said to have been badly wounded. During the engagement Senor Galvez, the Peruvian Secretary of War, was killed by the explosion of a battery.

The markets were dull; purchasers refused to pay over \$16 per hundred pounds for copper. Freight alone were active to England at \$3.10@3.15, and there was likely to be a scarcity of vessels. Exchange, 47 1/2. General Mosquera, the new President of Colombia, had arrived at Bogota.

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Special Despatches to The Evening Telegraph.

WASHINGTON, May 21.

The President is preparing a proclamation to explain that his recent peace proclamation abrogated martial law through the South, and that this one is necessary to disburse the public mind that military interference in the coming Jeff. Davis trial will prevent an expression of a jury.

Attorney-General Speed, who returned from the West last week, had a lengthy interview with the President on Friday last, relative to the trial of Jeff. Davis, and the indictment found by the Grand Jury at Norfolk. Mr. Speed gave his opinion as to the legal character of the indictment, which opinion I am authorized to state. The President imparted to the Attorney-General the substance of the views of Chief Justice Chase about the propriety of holding court in Richmond. The position of Judge Chase I have given you in a former despatch.

General Grant has directed the muster out of six more colored regiments, while 17,000 will be retained in the service. It is intended to send a number of them out to the far West.

Merchants' National Bank. Comptroller Clark has turned over to the House Committee on Banks and Banking, all the testimony and papers in reference to the Merchants' National Bank. The Committee will make a thorough expose of the whole matter, which will show up frauds that will eclipse any yet published.

Cash on Hand. The following statement exhibits the amount of funds in the cash vaults of the Treasury Department on the 10th inst.:—United States Legal-tender Notes, \$100,000,000; National Bank Notes, \$135,142,900; Fractional Currency of all denominations, \$1,125,297,800; Reserve Fund, Temporary Loan, \$30,000,000.00; Reserve Fund, Surplus Issue, United States Notes, \$7,993,425.00; Interest Notes, \$2,211,300.00; Funds in Redemption Division, \$7,420,900.00.

National Bank Currency. \$1,774,300 in National Bank circulation was issued last week by the Comptroller of the Currency. The total amount issued up to date is \$274,653,195.

Consolation Money. Treasurer Spinner, on Saturday last, received \$2500 from a Catholic priest, who forwarded it for one of his parishioners, as money due the United States Government.

Union Remains. The remains of Colonel Lewis V. Quackenbush, of the 5th Michigan Infantry, killed in the seven days battles in front of Richmond, have been identified, and forwarded, and sent to his friends in Michigan. Over 2000 bodies have been disinterred and placed in the National Cemetery at Seven Pines, 1200 of whom are unknown. The work still goes on.

PHILADELPHIA STOCK EXCHANGE SALES TO-DAY

Reported by De Haven & Bro., No. 40 S. Third street.

Table of stock exchange sales including items like 5000 U S 5-20s, 5000 U S 10-40s, 5000 U S 10-20s, etc.

Table of Philadelphia Gold Exchange Quotations including items like American Gold, American Silver, etc.

Table of Philadelphia Trade Report including items like Flour Market, Cotton Market, etc.

Table of Finance and Commerce including items like Stock Market, Government Bonds, etc.

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Table of Markets by Telegraph including items like New York, Cotton, etc.

Table of Miscellaneous news including items like Death of an Independent Paper, etc.