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27 AND 54-INCH
SKY-BLUE KERSEYS,
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1862. SPRING. 1862.
LOUIS DANNENBAUM.
No. 57 North SECOND Street.
(Between Market and Arch,)

Is now prepared to offer a large stock of
RIBBONS,
SILKS, AND MILLINERY GOODS.

Merchants and Milliners will find an admirable assortment of the above Goods, of the newest styles, at low figures, and are invited to call and examine.

☞ "WELL BOUGHT IS HALF SOLD."
mh21-1m*

1862. SPRING. 1862.
WOOD & CARY,
(Successors to Lincoln, Wood, & Nichols,)
No. 726 CHESTNUT STREET,

Have now in Store a complete stock of
STRAW AND MILLINERY GOODS,
SILK BONNETS,
STRAW AND PALM-LEAF HATS, &c.

To which they respectfully invite the attention of the former patrons of the house and the trade generally. mar12-2m

SPRING. 1862.
M. BERNHEIM,
No. 726 CHESTNUT STREET,

Has now in store, and is daily receiving, the latest styles in
RIBBONS, FRENCH FLOWERS, WREATHS, SILKS, CRAPES, LACES,
AND OTHER
MILLINERY GOODS.
To which he respectfully invites the attention of the TRADE.
PRICES LOW.
mh24-2m

SPRING. 1862.
RIBBONS, MILLINERY, AND STRAW GOODS.
ROSENHEIM, BROOKS, & Co.,
NO. 431 MARKET STREET,

Have now open—and to which daily additions are made—their
USUAL HANDSOME VARIETY OF
RIBBONS,
BONNET MATERIALS, FLOWERS, RUCHES,
STRAW AND FANCY BONNETS,
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ALL OTHER ARTICLES IN THE MILLINERY LINE,
Which will be offered at the
LOWEST MARKET PRICES.
The attention of the trade is respectfully invited.
☞ Particular attention given to filling orders.
mh13-3m

THOMAS KENNEDY & BRO.,
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A Choice Stock of
SPRING MILLINERY GOODS,
mh13-3m AT LOW PRICES.

UMBRELLAS AND PARASOLS.

WM. H. RICHARDSON
HAS REMOVED TO 500 MARKET STREET,
Southwest corner of Fifth,
And offers a beautiful assortment of
UMBRELLAS, PARASOLS,
TENTS, AND CANES,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL. mh28-1m

HATS AND CAPS.

1862. SPRING STOCK COMPLETE. 1862.
C. H. GARDEN & Co.,
Manufacturers of and Wholesale Dealers in
HATS, CAPS, AND FURS;
STRAW GOODS,
FANCY SILK AND STRAW BONNETS,
Artificial Flowers, Ruches, Feathers, &c.,
No. 600 and 602 MARKET Street, S. W. corner of SIXTH Street.
☞ A large and complete stock. The best terms and the lowest prices. Cash and prompt "time buyers" are particularly invited to examine our stock. mh1-2m

WATCHES, JEWELRY, &c.

A FRESH ASSORTMENT, at LESS THAN FORMER PRICES.
FARR & BROTHER,
Importers, 324 CHESTNUT Street, below Fourth. mh29-tf

LABOR-SAVING MACHINE.
CLOTHES-SAVING MACHINE.
TIME-SAVING MACHINE.
Haley, Morse & Boyden's Clothes Wringer saves labor, time and clothes, and is an improvement which will most certainly be generally adopted. It is self-adjusting, simple, and durable, and is far superior to every other device for the purpose intended. Over five hundred have been sold within the last thirty days in this city. No family should be without one. They are warranted to give perfect satisfaction.
For sale by L. E. SNOW, at the Office of JOY, COE, & Co, Northeast corner of FIFTH and CHESTNUT Streets. Orders from the Country promptly attended to. apl-1m

JEWELRY, &c.

CLARK'S
ONE DOLLAR STORE.
602 CHESTNUT STREET.
NEW GOODS,
NEW STYLES,
AND NEW PRICES.

For ONE DOLLAR you can buy any one of the following articles:

Sets of	Silver Plated	Tea	Spoons.
"	"	Dessert	"
"	"	Table	"
"	"	"	Forks.
"	"	Desert	"
Pair	"	Knife and	Fork.
"	"	Napkin	Rings.
"	"	Butter	Knives.
Silver Plated Sugar Bowl.			
"	"	Butter	Dish.
"	"	Molasses	Pitcher.
"	"	Cream	"
"	"	Castor.	
"	"	Waiter.	
"	"	Cobbit.	
"	"	Drinking	Cup.
"	"	Sugar	Sifter.
Gold Plated		Vest Chain,	all styles.
"	"	Guard	" "
"	"	Neck	" "
"	"	Chatelaine,	"
"	"	Bracelet,	"
"	"	Medallion,	"
"	"	Armlets,	"
"	"	Breast Pin,	"
"	"	Ear Rings,	"
"	"	Pin and Drops,	all styles.
"	"	Studs and Buttons,	" "
"	"	Solitary Sleeve Button,	all styles.
"	"	Bosom Studs,	" "
"	"	Finger Rings,	"
"	"	Pencils,	" "
"	"	Pen with Pencil Case.	

Ladies' or Gentlemen's Port Monnaie, Cubas, Bags, Purses, &c., &c., &c. All Goods warranted as represented. We have on hand a large assortment of Photograph Albums, Mantel Clocks, Travelling Bags, and Gold Jewelry, which we are closing off at cost. The attention of the trade respectfully solicited.
D. W. CLARK'S
ONE DOLLAR STORE,
602 CHESTNUT Street.
ap1-9m

DRY-GOODS JOBBERS.

1862. SPRING. 1862.
ABBOTT, JOHNES, & CO.,
527 MARKET STREET,
Have now open an entirely new and attractive stock in
ENGLISH, FRENCH, GERMAN, AND AMERICAN
DRESS GOODS.
Also, a full assortment in
WHITE GOODS, RIBBONS, GLOVES, SHAWLS, &c., &c.,
To which they invite the attention of the trade.
mh24-tap30

SPRING STOCK
SILK AND FANCY DRESS GOODS.
A. W. LITTLE & Co.,
mh15-tf No. 323 MARKET ST.

1862. SPRING. 1862.
RIEGEL, BAIRD, & CO.,
IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS
OF
DRY GOODS.
NO. 47 NORTH THIRD STREET.
PHILADELPHIA.

Merchants visiting this city to purchase DRY GOODS will find our Stock large and admirably assorted, and at LOW FIGURES. In certain classes of Goods we offer inducements to purchasers unequalled by any other house in Philadelphia. mh18-2m

NEW IMPORTATIONS.
HOSIERY, GLOVES,
GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS,
LINENS, SHIRT FRONTS,
WHITE GOODS, AND
EMBROIDERIES.
THOS. MELLOR & Co.,
mh19-3m 40 and 42 North THIRD Street.

JAMES, KENT,
SANTEE, & CO.,
IMPORTERS AND JOBBERS
OF
DRY GOODS,
Nos. 239 and 241 N. THIRD STREET, ABOVE RACE, PHILADELPHIA,
Have now open their usual
LARGE AND COMPLETE STOCK
OF
FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC DRY GOODS,
Among which will be found a more than usually attractive variety of
LADIES' DRESS GOODS;
Also, a full assortment of
MERRIMACK AND COCHECO PRINTS,
and
PHILADELPHIA-MADE GOODS.
To which they invite the special attention of buyers. mh21-2m

YARNS, BATTS, & CARPET CHAINS.
A. H. FRANCISCUS,
WHOLESALE DEALER IN YARNS,
433 MARKET and 5 North FIFTH Street.
PHILADELPHIA.
Buyers will find a full Stock of
COTTON, LINEN, AND WOOLLEN CARPET CHAIN,
COTTON YARN,
TWIST, FILLING, WADDING, BATTING,
COTTON LAPS,
TIE YARNS, TWINES, CANDLE WICK, COVERLET YARN, BROOM TWINES, BROOM THREADS, GILLING AND SEINE TWINES,
BED CORDS,
WASH AND PLOUGH LINES,
COTTON, HEMP, AND MANILLA CORDAGE.
Also, a full assortment of
FLY NETS.
Which he offers at Manufacturers
LOWEST NET CASH PRICES.

WOODEN AND WILLOW WARE.
A. H. FRANCISCUS,
433 MARKET and 5 North FIFTH Street,
PHILADELPHIA,
WHOLESALE DEALER IN
WOODEN AND WILLOW WARE.
Always on hand, a full Stock of
TUBS, BUCKETS, CHURNS, MEASURES, BROOMS, WHISKS,
FANCY BASKETS.
WALL, SCRUB, and SWEEPING BRUSHES, ROCKING-GLASSES and WINDOW PAPER,
Mats, Keelers, Flour Buckets, Nest Boxes,
WASH BOARDS, ROLLING and CLOTHES PINS.
FLOOR and TABLE OIL CLOTHS.
SCHOOL, MARKET, and DINNER BASKETS.
Sleds, Barrows, Carriages, Hobby Horses, &c., &c.
All Goods sold at
LOWEST NET CASH PRICES.
mh11-3m

MONUMENTS AND GRAVE STONES at very reduced prices at Marble Works of A. STEINMETZ, RIDGE Avenue, below Eleventh Street. mh13-3mif

RETAIL DRY GOODS.

MUSLINS AT REDUCED PRICES.
—Having bought a large lot for cash since the recent decline, I am now selling them much less than they have been sold Good Bleached at 7; finer do. at 8c; wide at 9c, and nearly yard wide at 10c; full yard wide, very heavy, 12½c; full yard wide, very fine, 12½ cents; Housekeeper, Wamsutta, Williamsville, and New York Mills now on hand; 1¼ wide Sheeting 12½; 1¼ wide 15 cents, and every width of Sheetings, both bleached and brown. I am confident of being able to sell these less than they can be bought elsewhere.
Best quality Honey Comb Counterpanes, $1.50; largest size Honey Comb Counterpanes, $1.50; Frosting Linens, 31½c; Richardson's make, heavy quality, for family use, 37½, 42½, 50, and 55c, which is at least 15 per cent. less than usual prices; also, a full line of other makes, in lighter quality.
GRANVILLE B. HAINES,
ap17-6t 1013 MARKET Street, above Tenth.

1024 CHESTNUT STREET.
E. M. NEEDLES.
COLLARS! COLLARS!! COLLARS!!!
Pointe Lace, Guipure, Honiton, Valenciennе and other Lace Collars; French Embroidered Collars, &c., all in the latest styles and very cheap.
GARIBALDIS! GARIBALDIS!!
Plaid French Muslins, Plaid Nainsooks, Plaid Cambrics, Black and White Embroidered Nets, and a variety of other materials for Garibaldis
"GREAT REDUCTION" in Real Thread Veils—an entire invoice of Real Thread Veils at 25 per cent. below the usual rates.
100 Real Thread Barbes, 65c. to $1.50.
The "especial attention" of the public is solicited to my stock of Linens, Table Damasks, Napkins, Doylies, Towels, and "Pillow and Sheeting Linens" all of which will be offered at very low prices.
Broad Bordered Hemstitched Hdkfs., a full line just opened, beautiful qualities, from 20c. to $1 each. ap10-tf
1024 CHESTNUT STREET.
1024 CHESTNUT STREET. E. M. NEEDLES. 1024 CHESTNUT STREET.

GRAY SILK POPLINS.
Best quality Grays and Checks,
Very glossy and desirable.
ap14 SHARPLESS BROS.

CHECKED TOILE DU NORD.
Solid Checks, bright colors,
For Children's dresses.
ap14 SHARPLESS BROS.

WIDE CHINTZES.
Bright Styles for Children.
Neat and Bold Styles for dresses.
Magenta figures and Lilacs.
SHARPLESS BROS.,
ap14 CHESTNUT and EIGHTH Streets.

CLOAKS! CLOAKS! CLOAKS!
THE GREATEST BARGAINS IN THE CITY
AT
IVENS & CO.'S,
No. 23 SOUTH NINTH STREET.
THE LARGEST STOCK.
THE BEST ASSORTMENT,
THE CHOICEST COLORS,
THE FINEST QUALITIES,
THE MOST SUPERB TRIMMINGS,
THE NEWEST STYLES,
THE BEST WORK,
AND
DECIDEDLY THE LOWEST PRICES,
IN THE CITY,
AT
IVENS & CO.'S,
No. 23 SOUTH NINTH STREET.
mh26-3m

JAS. R. CAMPBELL & Co.,
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL DEALERS,
727 CHESTNUT STREET,
Have opened this day,
Bonnet's Black Taffetas,
Triple Chain Satin Plaid Colored Taffetas.
Detached Figured Camel's Hair Thibet, high lustre.
Satin Plaid and Printed Marquilles.
Lupin's best black Bareges and Bombazines.
Rich Plaid Mozambiques.
Lupin's best black, white, and high colored Challi.
Organdies and Jaconets, grenadine grounds.
Cachemere de Paris Printed Percales, very rich.
Foulard Poplins.
Foulard Satine, &c., &c. ap16-tf

LEATHER-COLORED MOHAIR
for Dresses and Sacks.
5-4 Lava-colored Mohair.
Shepherds' Plaid do.
Silvercoats for Sacks.
Light Colored Sack Cloths.
Melton Cloths, Light Colors.
ap16 EYRE & LANDELL, FOURTH and ARCH.

HONEY-COMB QUILTS FOR
Hotels, Steamers, &c.
Quilts of all grades.
Linen Napkins and Towels.
Embroidered Curtain Muslins.
Russia Crash and Turkish Rubbers.
Table Linens, Wholesale and Retail.
ap16 EYRE & LANDELL, FOURTH & ARCH.

MELTON CLOTHS FOR GENTS' SUITS.
Spring Style Cassimeres.
Fashionable Vestings.
Tweeds and Cassimeres for Boys.
Fine Black Cloths for Coats.
Doeskins, Finest Blacks.
ap16 EYRE & LANDELL, FOURTH and ARCH.

103 NORTH EIGHTH STREET,
SECOND DOOR ABOVE ARCH,
UP STAIRS.
LADIES' DRESS TRIMMINGS, &c.
The Copartnership heretofore existing between
GAUFFRAU & LONNESTADTER,
Having been dissolved by mutual consent, the undersigned respectfully informs the patrons and friends of the old firm, and the trade in general, that he has taken all the up-stairs rooms of
NO. 103 NORTH EIGHTH STREET,
ABOVE ARCH,
To continue the manufacturing of all kinds of
DRESS, CLOAK,
AND
MANTILLA TRIMMINGS,
FRINGES, BUTTONS, TASSELS, CORD, HEAD NETS,
Of all descriptions, &c., &c.,
And will offer inducements in price and quality, as well as prompt attendance to orders, in every article appertaining to his line. WM. LONNESTADTER.
ap4-2m] No. 103 North EIGHTH Street, ab. Arch.

NEW GOODS OPENING DAILY.
—Plaid Foulards, black, brown, blue, and lilac.
Plain brown Foulards, one yard wide.
Figues, white ground and bouquets of Chintz colors.
Wool De Laines, choice shades.
Plaid and small figured Wool De Laines, for children.
A large assortment of Ginghams, at 12½, 20, and 25 cents.
A fresh assortment of Cloaking Cloths.
Small figure dark brown Mohairs, choice.
Shepherd's Plaids, from 18½ to 50 cents.
Silk and Wool Poplins in great variety, at
JOHN H. STOKES',
No. 702 ARCH Street.
N. B.—Good black Silks, 87½, 91, and $1.12½.
Call and examine our $1.12½ black Silks. mh28

FINE LACE CURTAINS—REAL BARGAINS.
An extensive assortment of RICH LACE CURTAINS, of new and beautiful designs, at 20 per cent. below importers' prices, ranging from $6 up to $22 per pair.
ALSO,
Nottingham Lace Curtains, Nottingham Lace Draperies, and Tamboured Muslin Draperies, at greatly reduced prices.
SHEPPARD, VAN HABLINGEN, & ABBISON,
Curtain Warehouse,
ap9 1008 CHESTNUT Street.

NEW SPRING PRINTS,
CHOICE STYLES.
MERRIMACS,
SPRAGUES,
PACIFIC,
ALL TWELVE AND A HALF CENTS.
A large lot best styles and fast colors at 10c.
WHEELWRIGHT & CO.,
mh15-tf N. W. cor. EIGHTH and MARKET Sts.

CLOAKS, PALATOTES AND MANTILLAS.—Ladies in want of the above articles will find it to their advantage to visit the old established house of Mrs. HENRY, No. 38 North NINTH Street, below ARCH. The latest Paris Styles always on hand at prices that astonish everybody. ap4-3m

NEW CLOAK STORE!
The most elegant assortment in the city.
No. 29 South NINTH Street,
mh26-2m First door above Chestnut.

CLOAKS.—If you want the best value for your money, go to the City Cloak Store, 142 North EIGHTH Street, above Cherry. mh26-3m

H. STEEL & SON WILL OPEN this morning from New York a choice lot of
RICH STYLES OF SILK GRENADINES.
RICH STYLES OF CHENE SILKS.
BLACK AND WHITE CHECK SILKS.
CHEAP PLAIN AND FIGURED BLACK SILKS.
Persons wishing to purchase a GOOD SILK at a LOW PRICE, would find it to their advantage to examine our stock.
BLACK AND WHITE PLAIDS, 16X TO 44c.
FRENCH CHALLIES, MOZAMBIQUES, POIL DE CHEVRES, and other NEW DRESS GOODS, of every variety.
BLACK STELLA SHAWLS,
with Broche Borders, $2.75 to $15.
Ladies' Linen Cambric Hdkfs, slightly damaged,
100 doz., 62 and 65c., worth 75.
100 doz., 70 and 75c., worth 87.
100 doz., 87 and $1, worth $1.25.
100 doz., $1 12 and $1.25, worth $1.50.
100 doz., $1.31 and $1.37, worth $1.75.
100 doz., $1.50 and $1.62, worth $2.
Just opened, a small lot of White Plaid French Organdies, a very scarce and desirable article, suitable for evening dresses.
ap7 No. 713 North TENTH Street, above Coates.

CLOAKS!
A MAGNIFICENT ASSORTMENT
OF
ALL THE NEWEST STYLES IMPORTED THIS SEASON,
With every new material, made up and trimmed in the very best manner, at prices that defy all competition,
AT THE
PARIS CLOAK STORE,
N. E. CORNER EIGHTH AND WALNUT STS.
mh26-3m

SPRING CLOAKS.
Cloak room contains every new style.
Short and medium length Cloaks.
Silk mantles, opening every morning.
Garments made to order with despatch.
CLOTHS, CASSIMERES.
Fancy Cassimeres and Meltons.
Cashmeretts and Light Weight Woollens.
Goods, especially, for Boys' wear.
Fine Black Cloths and Doeskins.
Superb stock of these goods at low prices.
DRESS GOODS.
Checks and Plaids for children's wear.
Extra wide Fil-de-chevres, for Ladies' wear.
Mohairs, Poplins, Alpacas.
Good Black Silks and Wool Delains.
Shepherd's Plaids. Good Hoop Skirts.
Cheap auction lots of Dress Goods.
COOPER & CONARD,
ap15 Southeast corner NINTH and MARKET.

CABINET FURNITURE.

CABINET FURNITURE AND BILLIARD TABLES.
MOORE & CAMPION,
No. 421 South SECOND Street,
In connection with their extensive Cabinet Business are now manufacturing a superior article of
BILLIARD TABLES,
and have now on hand a full supply, finished with the MOORE & CAMPION'S IMPROVED CUSHIONS, which are pronounced, by all who have used them, to be superior to all others.
For the quality and finish of these tables the manufacturers refer to their numerous patrons throughout the Union, who are familiar with the character of their work. fe26-6m

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FRIDAY, APRIL 18, 1862.

Prison-Life at Richmond.*

So much has been said and so little actually known of prison-life at Richmond, as experienced by United States soldiers in captivity there, that the volume before us, giving a faithful account, will probably find a multitude of readers. Lieut. Harris, its author, is an intelligent Philadelphian, who writes in the plainest and most straightforward manner, telling his own experiences and faithfully recording what passed before his eyes from the time he was taken prisoner at the Battle of Ball's Bluff, on the 21st October, 1861, to the 22d February, 1862. Four very unpleasant months they were to him and others.

Lieut. Harris was one of the twenty-four officers captured at dusk, at Ball's Bluff. They were immediately marched under guard to Leesburg, three miles distant, where their advent excited almost frantic exultation. Declining to accept a parole which conceded no privilege except that of paying their own hotel-bills, they were taken on to Manassas, where they were marched into an old barn. "Here," Mr. Harris says, "we were visited by scores of Confederate officers and civilians, none of whom were in the barn a moment before they commenced discussing the political causes of the war. Conversing with that effervescing temperament so peculiar to the Southern-born, their manner soon became disagreeable and quarrelsome, and we found it necessary to abstain from all conversation. A few ladies came to the barn-door, stood and gazed upon us, smiled their smile of contempt, and then went tripping away to tell their friends 'how dirty and nasty the Yankees looked.'" They reached Richmond, by rail, on the morning of the 24th October, received with mingled triumph and hatred by the populace, who crowded to see "the Yanks," and marched into their future prison, which is thus described:

"The Tobacco Warehouse, where the officers and two hundred and fifty privates are confined, is situated in the lower portion of the city, on the southwest corner of Twenty-fifth and Main streets, and was occupied, previous to being used as a military prison, by Messrs. Liggon & Co., for manufacturing and storing tobacco.

"It is a large three-story brick building, built in a substantial manner, and peculiarly adapted for a prison and hospital purposes. The main (or first) floor is allotted to the officers, fifty of whom are its present (December 1, 1861,) occupants. The second and third floors contain each one hundred and twenty-five privates. In the centre of the officers' floor is placed the machinery for pressing and preparing tobacco, dividing it into two equal sections, the western being used for eating and writing purposes, the eastern for promenading and sleeping. Ten mess-tables, made of rough pine boards, and a number of wooden benches and stools, occupy the main portion of the western division; and the floor is well covered in the eastern by bedsteads and cots of Southern and prison manufacture. The latter are very primitive, yet unique in style, being of the simplest structure that rough boards and a few nails can accomplish

"The length of the officers' room is sixty-five feet nine inches, width forty-five feet, height twelve feet three inches; one-half of which space is occupied by the machinery in the centre and northern portion of the floor. The room is lighted by five windows on the west or lower side, and three on the east or city side. Those on the east are level with the street, and well protected by iron bars; the west windows are without bars, but double-guarded by sentinels placed in the yard.

"The sills of those in the west are used as pantries by the stewards, and a curious assortment of stores is often displayed—tin cups, plates, knives and forks, a cup of butter, saucer of salt, paper of pepper, loaf of bread, cold beef, comb and brush, whisk broom, towels, a wet shirt drying, shaving-apparatus, bottle of vinegar, &c.

"The room is lighted by gas, the use of which is either kindly or unwittingly given at all hours of the day; we use it for cooking as well as illuminating purposes, and the odor of hot coffee and occasional stews may be scented daily throughout the room. At nine o'clock we have breakfast, consisting of fresh beef—occasionally liver—with five ounces of bread; at one o'clock dinner—boiled or roast beef, with a quantity of bread; at six o'clock supper—five ounces of bread.

"The Confederate Government furnishes the rations of bread and beef, with salt and brown sugar. All other articles of food are provided by the prisoners, at the following prices: Tea, $4 per pound; coffee, 75 per pound; brown sugar, 12½ cents; butter, 60 cents; potatoes, $2 per bushel; molasses, $1 25 per gallon. The cost of extra rations, which are confined to the foregoing articles, averages $2 50 per week for each officer."

Each officer was presented with a tin plate and pint cup; "To complete his crockery, he is allowed to purchase a knife, fork, and spoon at blockade-prices; he is also furnished with a cotton coverlet, and five yards of brown cotton muslin, from which to prepare a bed-tick. When finished, he is permitted to go into the yard, where, from a large pile of straw, he fills the tick. Then, shouldering the unwieldy mattress, he staggers into the room and seeks a vacant spot, which hereafter shall be sacred to himself." Lieut. Harris and others of the Ball's Bluff captives were particularly badly treated. On reaching Richmond they were

"Thrust, with six hundred privates, into a warehouse,—where, sweltering with the heat of midsummer, with closed windows, and not room sufficient for them all to lie wedge-packed upon the floor, they remained, suffering and without food, for nearly twenty-four hours. They were then removed to their present quarters, yet were permitted to occupy only half the space subsequently allotted them,—the eastern section of the room being filled with the prison guard and sentinels on post upon the same floor, with orders to bayonet all who approached within three feet of them.

"For weeks they slept upon the floor, without blankets or overcoats, with blocks of wood—and not enough even of those—for pillows. It was not until three months had elapsed that the Confederate authorities furnished straw and cotton coverlets. Without servants, mess-tables, benches, or even knives and forks, they ate their mouldy cross-legged upon the floor, and off the window-sills, in a primitive, yet (owing to the quantity furnished) ravenous style. Without water facilities, except a well in the yard, which was used not only by the officers, but also by five hundred men confined in the upper stories of the warehouse, one of whom only was allowed to use it at a time, hours would pass each morning before an officer was able to wash."

In October, the treatment of the captive officers was improved, but that of the privates not. In all 2,885 were confined in Richmond, and their condition is painfully described. "With the floor for a bed, without straw, many without pantaloons, all with scant raiment, but few with blankets, whilst the keen air of mid-winter pierces through the ill-protected building,—receiving half the ration of food allowed in the Federal army, covered with vermin, starved and shivering,—they are crowded together in herds. Regardless of life, dead to the dictates of humanity, their jailors see them die daily,—apparently without sympathy, evidently without attempting to prevent mortality." They had only two meals a day,—breakfast and supper. The first, a small piece of cold beef and five ounces of bread; the other, half pint of soup and five ounces of bread, rice being sometimes substituted for meat. "The rice is often wormy; the meat is cooked two days before consumed, and lies exposed in a trough in the yard, becoming covered with dust and ashes, and the juice being extracted by making soup for one meal before the meat is served, dry and hard, for the next."

People were allowed to intrude upon them, to insult them with the most foul-mouthed abuse of their loyalty. They were not allowed to go near any of the windows, and *seven Federal prisoners were shot dead by the sentinels for inadvertently leaning from the windows.*

The prisoners amused and employed themselves, amid all their privations. They had a glee-club, which sang national songs; they had amateur theatricals; and, with such simple instruments as a jack-knife and file they produced curiously-carved trinkets in bone and wood.

Mr. Faulkner, who was exchanged against Mr. Ely, visited the Richmond prisoners in December, and declared

"That United States officers in Richmond received treatment similar to that of Confederate privates in the North.

"That United States privates were treated much worse than Confederate privates were in the North.

"That the privateers North received every comfort possible under the circumstances.

"That the Federal hostages in Richmond jail were treated far worse than the privateers were in the North."

Lieut. Harris gratefully describes the relief to the suffering Federal privates in the Richmond warehouses from the liberal donations of clothes, blankets, and other necessaries, received from Philadelphian humanity and generosity, last January. The prisoners were in destitution and rags, and the relief was ample and timely.

We have drawn on only two chapters of the book in the preceding facts, our object being to show how the prisoners at Richmond were treated, and how much they suffered. Lieut. Harris has livelier records as he proceeds, describing a day in the officers' prison, and another in the privates' prison—telling of the daily pursuits and pastimes—incidents grave and gay, of captivity—Christmas festivities in the tobacco warehouses—Sunday in prison—traits and descriptions of the jailors—anecdotes of visitors—and graphic pen-and-ink sketches of the prisoners themselves, among whom are Samuel A. Pancoast, (brother of Dr. Pancoast of this city,) with Lieut. Charles M. Hooper, Captain John Markoe, Lieut. George W. Kenny, and other Philadelphians. The concluding chapters describe the return from captivity, which was effected by exchange.

Lieut. Harris has produced a readable and reliable book, well written, and full of information that the public much desire to obtain.

*Prison-Life in the Tobacco Warehouse at Richmond. By a Ball's Bluff prisoner, Lieut. Wm. C. Harris, of Col. Baker's California Regiment. Pp. 175. Philadelphia: George W. Childs.

LETTER FROM FORTRESS MONROE.

The Newspaper Censorship—Released on Parole—influx of "Specials"—The Merrimac Expected on Sunday—Quiet—Presentation of Flags to Colonel Harlan's Cavalry—Address of Colonels Whipple and Harlan.

[Correspondence of The Press.]

FORTRESS MONROE, April 16.

Col. Edwards S. Sanford is here busily engaged in arranging the details of the newspaper censorship. The Colonel has issued a pass more specific than any hitherto issued by the Department, and which will relieve the newspaper correspondents of many of the embarrassments under which they have heretofore labored.

The Colonel is untiring in his efforts to prevent any information from being communicated to the enemy, but will assist the members of the newspaper fraternity by all the means in his power.

Mr. J. F. Quigg, the correspondent of the New York *Herald*, who was arrested a few days ago for an alleged violation of the rules of the department concerning the transmission of contraband news, is now at liberty on parole.

The condition of affairs around this point, which has now become the grand point of interest, has attracted large crowds of newspaper correspondents. Each of the leading papers of the country has at least two correspondents, some of whom stay to watch the *Merrimac*, while others push on to the army encampments.

Heavy firing was heard from Sewell's Point to-day. There are no signs of the *Merrimac* up to four o'clock this afternoon. We expect to hear again on Sunday.

The English frigate *Rinaldo* still lies up the bay.

Everything is very quiet. Nothing of any interest has been heard from the army, although stirring events are looked for in a few days.

The weather is pleasant, and the roads are in quite a good condition.

On last Sunday afternoon quite an imposing ceremony was enacted in the camp of the Eleventh Pennsylvania Cavalry, Colonel Harlan, being the presentation of two beautiful silk flags to the regiment. The presentation was made by Lieutenant Colonel Wm. D. Whipple, assistant adjutant general of the department, and aid to General Wool. One of the flags was from the United States Government, the other was from the State of Pennsylvania. They were made of blue silk, each being represented by the insignia of the National and State Governments.

The regiment was drawn up on the parade ground, forming three sides of a hollow square, to receive Col. Whipple, who was followed by two orderlies bearing the standards in their black silk sheaths. Col. Harlan advanced to meet Col. Whipple, and conducted him into this square, where Lieut. Colonel Spear was stationed with the regimental standard-bearers and sergeant's guard.

Col. Harlan and Col. Whipple now dismounted. The latter commenced his speech in a clear and distinct voice, whose tones caught the ear of every soldier in the line, the silence being undisturbed by the clank of a single sabre.

COL. WHIPPLE'S ADDRESS.

Officers and Soldiers of the Eleventh Regiment of Pennsylvania Cavalry: The major general commanding the department having been invited to select an officer to present these standards in the name of the Government of the United States and the people and Executive of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the selection having fallen upon myself, in which you have been pleased to acquiesce, I undertake the duty with diffidence, there being so many others near at hand better fitted to officiate at this touching and impressive ceremony.

These beautiful standards, proud emblems of our State and Federal Covenants, twin brothers of that glorious flag around whose folds cluster so many memories dear to every patriot heart, whose broad stripes and bright stars were baptized in the blood of our fathers, battling for the Union on great and almost within sight of us, have been now for months the sound of cannon, telling where our brothers are engaged against traitor hordes in the fight for the same sacred cause. These standards are now committed, with great confidence and trust, reposing in the full confidence that you will sooner perish in their defence than permit the lustre of their ancient renown to be dimmed by any fault or neglect of yours.

When traitor hordes dared to fire upon our beloved national ensign floating over the walls of Sumpter, and sought to trail it in the dust and rend it in pieces, it was then that more than twenty millions of freemen rose in their terrible wrath, and sent the traitors, and men of their kidney, and sons to pour out their blood like water in its defence. Such a spectacle the world has never witnessed since it came forth without form and void from the hands of the Creator. To you, as a portion of this willing army of the Potomac, to your patriotism and valor, is this sacred trust committed by the confiding people of the Old Keystone State.

The people of Pennsylvania, speaking through their Governor in the letter accompanying this color, say to you: "We expect this regiment to immortalize themselves in the field of battle, and for God's sake and your own never allow this flag to be disgraced." We know that you are eager to realize these expectations, and win that immortality. We know that you are longing to inflict a terrible punishment upon that foul brood of traitors who have with sacrilegious hands endeavored to pluck thirteen stars from out our glorious constellation. Teach them they might as well attempt to blot out the stars from the blue firmament of heaven as to attempt to diminish the beauty of that Heaven-protected flag. Take these standards and make them a source of joy and pride to their friends, and fear and trembling to their enemies.

The standards were then delivered to Col. Harlan and Lieut. Col. Spear, who, advancing with the standard-bearers and guard, received and conducted them to the line, the band playing "The Star-Spangled Banner." The officers of the regiment were ordered to form and advance in line to the presence of Cols. Whipple and Harlan, who were remounted, and Col. Harlan replied to the address of Col. Whipple, as follows:

COLONEL HARLAN'S ADDRESS.

Colonel: In the name of these officers and the men of the Eleventh Pennsylvania Cavalry, and in behalf of myself, I thank you for the distinguished honor conferred upon us by General Wool, in sending by the chief of his military family these standards, which are hereafter to be followed and guarded by this regiment of patriots. We receive these standards as the emblems of our Federal and State relations, which we have come into the field to sustain against the treasonable and disorganizing spirit of rebellion; and we ask of General Wool to give us the advance, that we may prove ourselves worthy of the honor he confers by this presentation. To achieve under his command, the smallest of those great results which have made brilliant the pages of history, with the glory of General Wool's victorious arms, will whosoever of the Eleventh Pennsylvania Cavalry as apt scholars in the school of chivalry, led by so distinguished a commander.

LATE NEWS FROM THE GULF.

Our Gun and Mortar Boats Running Past the Mississippi Forts—Pensacola not yet Evacuated—Forts McRae and Barrancas Undermined.

KEY WEST, April 9.—The transport steamer *Philadelphia*, from Fort Pickens, arrived here this morning. The *Philadelphia* left Fort Pickens on Sunday night, the 6th inst., and brings important intelligence. By her we learn that General Arnold had received authentic information *that ten of the mortar vessels, with three steamers, had successfully run the gauntlet of the forts on the Mississippi at night, without a shot being fired at them.* This is great news; for if ten have gone by the balance will have no difficulty in doing the same thing. Further than this regarding the operations on the Mississippi I am not at liberty to state at present.

Pensacola is not yet evacuated. This information is in all respects reliable. Mr. N. W. Wood, who has been living and doing business in Pensacola, and who made his escape from there on the 26th ult., tells me that there are not at the forts about one thousand men, under the command of a Colonel of Spanish officer, who was bossed by some guerillas, dragged into a wood, and beheaded. The near approach, however, of the 15th instant—the day appointed for the conference—induced the French and Spanish commanders to wait a little longer.

General Don Manuel Robles y Pezuela, Minister of War under the Administration of General Arista, and subsequently minister plenipotentiary at Washington, where he was universally esteemed, was arrested on the 21st ult., near Tehuacan, by a detachment of Government troops, taken to the town of San Andres Chalchicomula, the scene of the late terrible disaster, and there executed on the 24th, in conformity with the law of the 20th of last January. He died like a brave man, with the serenity and valor of a soldier and a Christian," says the *Eco de Europa* of the 26th. General Prim and Sir Charles Wyke made every effort to save the unfortunate gentleman. The Minister of War, General Zaragoza, being in Orizaba with others of the Cabinet, he was besieged by them and the Mexican Ministers of Justice and the Treasury, until he yielded to their request, and granted a respite, which General Prim sealed and dispatched by a courier; but whether owing to the bad roads or that he lost his way, or a determination that the execution should take place, the courier arrived five hours after General Pezuela ceased to live.

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