

SCARLET FEVER. This dangerous disease lately prevailed to an alarming extent among the children in the Eastern portion of the county...

DAVIDSON'S FERRY, Feb. 18, '63. COL. R. WOODS: My Dear Sir:—I reached home the same day I left you in Pittsburgh. I found my little boy rather better, but the improvement was barely perceptible.

The sickness in my family is keeping me from my post at Harrisburg, and it is uncertain when I can leave home; but rest assured as soon as I can leave I will return to the capital.

COMPANY K, ANDERSON CAVALRY. A correspondent of the Republican furnishes the subjoined list of the men in Co. K., Anderson Cavalry...

Also the following list of killed, wounded and paroled prisoners of Co. K. Sergeant A. S. Drake, killed. Captain J. R. Hewitt, wounded in the wrist...

CONGRESS. The House of Representatives, on Saturday last, resumed the consideration of the Postoffice Reform bill.

POLITICAL PRAEHOES. It seems that even in some parts of New England the people have begun to be weary of so much political preaching.

THE NEW CONSCRIPT BILL. The Conscript Bill now before Congress only exempts Governors of States, Judges, the only sons of poor widows, and a few others.

What is the chief end of Abolitionism as it appears judged by the measures and avowed policy of the administration?

THE SINKING OF THE HATTERAS. Official Report of Commander Blake. Lieut. B. C. Blake, in command of the Hatteras in the late engagement with the rebel pirate Alabama...

INGRAM PRATT. CAMP WARD, NASHVILLE, TENN. Sunday, Feb. 8, 1863. WILLIAM PRATT, Esq.: Dear Sir:—I hastily write you a few lines to communicate to you that your son Ingram is no more.

GRAY HAIRS.—HON. FREDERICK SMYTH, American Commissioner at the World's Fair in London, writes: "Old buildings are rarely torn down or painted, the people here have a veneration for every thing old."

Gentlemen:—Presuming that a history of our journeyings during the past month would not be entirely uninteresting to you, I seat myself in the open air this pleasant day for the purpose of giving it to you.

We had now accomplished our object, and immediately "faced about" and started for Newbern, and arrived there on the 21st.

I have now given you an imperfect history of our expedition. Of course there are many things that I have omitted, for a soldier in the ranks has no chance for eight-seeing: yet, in the main, I think it is correct.

For the Messenger. CAMP WARD, NASHVILLE, TENN. Sunday, Feb. 8, 1863. WILLIAM PRATT, Esq.: Dear Sir:—I hastily write you a few lines to communicate to you that your son Ingram is no more.

After marching fifteen miles, we discovered that the rebels, anticipating our approach, had blocked the road by felling trees across it.

Contrabands were engaged during the night, clearing the road, and by morning their difficult task was completed, and we again moved forward.

Sunday morning a brisk firing along the Picklet line brought us to attention, and we were soon on the move.

Soon the firing became quite lively and gave promise of a good day's work. It was now discovered that by throwing our forces considerably to the right of the swamp, perhaps the enemy could be flanked.

Several Regiments of our Brigade were sent round the swamp, but the enemy stubbornly disputed the ground, and it was only by the hardest fighting that they were compelled to give way.

He was a splendid officer, and his loss is a short chapter, which every man should read.

H. C. CRAIG.

Official Report of Commander Blake. Lieut. B. C. Blake, in command of the Hatteras in the late engagement with the rebel pirate Alabama off Galveston...

It was nearly 7 o'clock, and quite dark. I felt assured from the general character of the vessel and her maneuvering that I should encounter the rebel steamer Alabama.

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We have many a time and oft, heretofore, testified our editorial admiration of the felicity of expression, the profundity of statesmanship, the shrewdness and sagacity that characterize the outbursts of the entire canting class of Abolition pulp-orators.

Oh, for a forty person power to chant thy praise!—Frank Moore! How must the re-acting angel have blushed as he took down those shameful words, fresh from your reverend lips!

An Extraordinary Statement. Senator Rice, Republican of Minnesota, who is a member of the Military Committee of the United States Senate, made the following extraordinary statement in debate last week:

I do not believe there is a man in this government, in one of the departments to-day, that can tell us whether we have five hundred thousand or a million men in the field—not one who can come within fifty per cent of the number of sick and wounded in the hospitals, or with their regiments.

It is estimated that the Old School Presbyterians will have to pay at least seventeen millions of the \$350,000,000 United States debt contracted the last year; but in the same time the whole contributions of the Church for the year appear to have been \$1,710,626.

The Norwegian Lutheran Synod of America, numbers twenty-one minister, laboring principally among their countrymen in Iowa, Wisconsin and Minnesota.

Democracy of Franklin township will meet at the usual place of holding elections in Bridgeport, on Friday, Feb. 27th, at 1 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of nominating candidates for the various township offices, and for other business.

Democracy of Morris township, Greene County, held at Nineveh, in said township, on Saturday, 28th of Feb, 1863, for the purpose of forming a Club, drafting resolutions, etc.

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