

FROM MEXICO.

[From the North American.]
FROM VERA CRUZ—PREPARATION TO DEFEND JALAPA—OUR ARMY ON ITS MARCH—HEALTH OF VERA CRUZ—ANTICIPATED BATTLE.

FREDERICKSBURG, Va., April 28.
The Southern mail arrived here at 29 minutes past 11 o'clock. The New Orleans papers have dates from Vera Cruz to the 8th inst., but they contain nothing of interest.

We learn in addition from our Washington correspondent, who has had more leisure to look over the New Orleans papers, by this arrival, that the correspondent of the Picayune, confirms the reports not duly authenticated before, of the abandonment of the Puente Nacional by the Mexican forces. They had retired to a narrow pass this side of Jalapa, and fortified it strongly, adding by art to the natural strength of the position.

The position thus taken by the Mexicans was five or six days march from Vera Cruz—and as all the divisions of our army left on the 8th, the Picayune thinks a battle must have come off on the 14th inst.

Our troops left Vera Cruz in fine spirits, refreshed by a fortnight's rest, after their severe exertions during the investment of the city. There was little or no sickness arising from the climate or nature of the service. The hospital accommodations were excellent and the wounded were all doing well. No death is recorded as the result of injuries received.

BY SPECIAL EXPRESS.
FOR THE PHILADELPHIA LEDGER.

Important News from our Army.

A Bloody and Desperate Battle Anticipated—Santa Anna's Army from 12,000 to 15,000 Strong—Skirmish between Twiggs' Advance Guard and the Enemy—A Proclamation of Gen. Scott to the Mexicans!

The Massachusetts arrived at New Orleans on the 22d inst., bringing dates from Vera Cruz to the 14th, with highly important intelligence.

M. Y. Beach came passenger in her. The following is from the correspondent of the Picayune of the 23d ultimo:
CAMP AT SAN JUAN, April 14, 1847.

I arrived in this place at 11 o'clock last night, the road from Vera Cruz running for the most part through heavy sands. The Division of Gen. Worth, from the excessive heat and wearisome road, suffered incredibly. The news in camp is stirring.

Lieut. Col. J. E. Johnston had been severely, but not mortally wounded, while examining Santa Anna's works, which appeared to be a succession of breastworks on an eminence in the vicinity of Cerre Gordo. Every thing would now go to show that Santa Anna is determined to make a bold stand.

The following letters are from the New Orleans Delta, of the 23d ult:
VERA CRUZ, April 13, 1847.

Eds. Delta.—As I stated in my letter of this morning, the Brigade of General Worth took up the line of march for Jalapa, but from rather sudden indisposition, the General did not leave with them.

Friday, and he has no doubt reached the advance before this hour. Gen. Twiggs had between 2500 and 2700 men, choice ones, too, under his command, and I entertain little fear for his safety.

Gen. Scott, I think was pretty well satisfied before his departure, that Santa Anna was in the neighborhood of Jalapa, and was making good time towards that point before the express reached him.

VERA CRUZ ANCHORAGE, April 12, 1847.
EDITORS DELTA.—A large detachment of the squadron leaves for Tuspan, commanded by the Commodore in person.

The officers anticipated something of a fight at that place. It is believed that there are upwards of 2,000 troops at that place, under the command of Gen. Cos, with some 60 pieces of heavy cannon, all serviceable and in fine order, with the exception of three.

The Vera Cruz Eagle, of the 13th inst., says the reported strength and position of Santa Anna and his forces are fully credited by both citizens and officers in that city.

Gen. Patterson had recovered from his illness, and was at the head of his division.

The only disease prevailing at Vera Cruz was diarrhoea, and great numbers were sick. Two privates of the First Regiment Penna. Volunteers had been tried and found guilty of theft.

Execution.—The execution of the colored man, Kirk, a citizen of the United States, convicted of committing a rape upon the person of a Mexican woman, and theft, took place on Saturday evening last.

Breaking up of General Head-Quarters.—Yesterday evening, at 5 o'clock, Gen. Scott and his staff left their quarters in the Plaza, and started for Jalapa.

Alvarado.—The port of Alvarado, which has been closed for several months, is now open to our commerce, and to all neutral vessels not having on board articles contraband of war.

The Hospital.—Many of our gallant soldiers are now prostrated by disease, and the hospitals are filled to overflowing with them.

HEAD-QUARTERS OF THE ARMY, VERA CRUZ, April 11, 1847.
Major-General Scott, General-in-chief of the Armies of the United States of America, to the good people of Mexico: PROCLAMATION.

Mexicans!—At the head of a powerful Army, soon to be doubled—a part of which is advancing upon your capital—and with another army under Major-General Taylor, in march from Saltillo towards San Luis Potosi, I think myself called upon to address you.

Mexicans!—Americans are not your enemies; but the enemies for a time of the men who, a year ago, misgoverned you and brought about this unnatural war between two great republics.

For the Church of Mexico, the unoffending inhabitants of the country, and their property, I have from the first done everything in my power to place them under the safeguard of martial law against the few bad men in the army.

My order, to that effect, known to all, are precise and rigorous. Under them, several Americans have already been punished, by fine, for the benefit of Mexicans, besides imprisonment, and one, for a rape, has been hung by the neck.

Is this not a proof of good faith and energetic discipline? Other proofs shall be given as often as injuries to Mexicans may be detected.

On the other hand, injuries committed by individuals, or parties of Mexico, not belonging to the public forces, upon individuals, small parties, trains of wagons or teams, or of pack mules, or any other person or property belonging to this army, contrary to the laws of war, shall be punished with rigor.

Winfield Scott.
Where are the Polk's?
In the war with Mexico, why do we not hear of the Polk's? During the Presidential contest, we were told that the Polk's were a numerous and patriotic family; yet we have not thus far found the name among the killed or wounded in the reports of any of the battles in Mexico.

Horrible Affray.—In Georgetown, Mercer county, on Tuesday last, there occurred a desperate and murderous affray. A man named Burr had misused and beaten his wife, and the neighbors taking her part, determined to tar and feather him.

The Washington Union has, in the performance of its official functions, descended to such a low level of contemptibility, and more than that ungentlemanly, unmanly and mendacious.

Deaths of Horses.—We are informed, that within a few days a species of gnat, or an insect closely resembling the common gnat, has made its appearance in the American Bottom, opposite this city.

Regimental Orders.
The Volunteers and Militia composing the 1st Regiment, 2d Brigade, 10th Division P. M. are hereby required to train by Company on the first Monday and third day of May next.

County Surveyor.
The office of the Deputy Surveyor for the county of Huntington, is removed to the borough of Huntington, where letters (post paid) on business will be duly attended to.

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FOREIGN NEWS.

ARRIVAL OF THE SARAH SANDS, TWO DAYS LATER FROM EUROPE.

The arrival of the Sarah Sands at New York, on the 29th ult., brings two days later news from Europe. The papers contain the following items of intelligence:

IRELAND.
The Cork Examiner says: "One hundred and seventy-five persons died in the work-house for the week ending Monday, March 29. There are at present 5224 in the house, and 628 in the hospital."

The following is an extract of a letter dated Dublin, April 3:—"There appears to be much less of actual famine, although extreme destitution still prevails throughout the country."

The number of Irish who came from Ireland into Liverpool, during the month of March, is 50,100; 3500 came over last Sunday. The expense of maintaining them is between £600 and £700 per week.

FRANCE.
We learn by a communication made by M. Dubois, the deputy of Havre, to the Chamber of Commerce of that place, that a clause to the following effect will be embodied in the forthcoming law on customs.

ITALY.
The alarm and agitation created at Rome by the establishment of the censorship have been considerably tranquillized by the character of the individuals who are to exercise its functions.

THE CORN TRADE.
The condition of the trade and commerce of the country during the first quarter of the present year, has been far from favorable, and though the last arrivals bring the gratifying news of a very decided improvement in the American and Eastern markets.

ADMINISTRATOR'S NOTICE.
NOTICE is hereby given, that Letters of Administration have been granted to the undersigned on the said estate.

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LAWFUL REVENGE.—Many years ago a gentleman in Newington, a parish of Weathersfield, Connecticut, who was a very religious and conscientious man, married one of the most ill-natured and troublesome women he could find in the vicinity.

Too Fond of Titles.—A few days since several members of the legislature representing some of the interior counties of this State were at a boarding house in this city.

Will the Honorable member from Chautauque hand me the butter? Will the Honorable gentleman from Otsego be kind enough to pass me the vinegar? Certainly sir, we may expect something sharp from the Honorable member from Chenango!

The Markets.
PHILADELPHIA, April 30, 1847. FLOUR & MEAL.—The news by the Sarah Sands has had the effect of stiffening the market for breadstuffs.

MARRIED: On Thursday, April 29th, by Rev. A. Height, Mr. JAMES V. HORBELL of Allenville, Mifflin county, to Miss ANNA MARY SWEAVER of Mill Creek, Huntingdon county.

New Watches and Jewelry.
JUST received from Philadelphia a fine assortment of GOLD AND SILVER LEVERS, L'EPINE AND QUARTER WATCHES.

ORPHAN'S COURT SALE.
WILL be sold, by order of the Orphan's Court of Huntington county, on the premises, on Thursday, the 1st day of July, 1847, as the property of Mathew T. May, late of Mifflin county.

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Great Spring and Summer Medicine.
HANCE'S Sarsaparilla Vegetable or Blood Pills, for purifying the blood.

BALTIMORE, July 29, 1843.
This is to certify, that I was afflicted with a violent pain in the breast and right arm, which I suppose proceeded from the impure state of my blood.

HANCE'S Compound Syrup of Horehound, for the cure of coughs, colds, consumption, spitting of blood, pain in the side and breast, bronchitis, croup, and all diseases arising from a disordered condition of the lungs or neglected cold.

Let laurels flourish on thy brow,
And wealth those laurels grace.
When heroes are forgotten; kings Defunct; or, ceased to reign;
Thou conqueror of pain.

Price 50 cts. per bottle, or 6 bottles for \$2 50. Prepared and sold by Seth S. Hance, 108 Baltimore st., and corner Charles and Pratt sts.

AS. P. FEROT. C. J. HOFFMAN.
FEROT & HOFFMAN
Produce and General Commission Merchants.

ORPHAN'S COURT SALE.
BY virtue of an order of the Orphan's Court of Huntington county, will be exposed to sale by public vendue or outcry, on the premises, on SATURDAY, 15th day of May next, at 2 o'clock P. M.

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