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Messrs. MATHER & ABBOTT, No. 335 Broadway, New-York, are duly authorized to act for us in soliciting advertisements, &c.

GOVERNMENT CONTRACTS.—Contracts have been entered into with the Government to furnish six thousand tents of fabric, or sheltering tents for pickets, in imitation of those used by the French army.

SLAVERY VANISHING.—The St. Louis Evening News says: "Slavery is vanishing from Missouri more rapidly even than its enemies predicted."

General Sumner has arrived at New York, with a detachment of seven hundred regular troops of the United States Army.

It will be impossible to estimate the effect of the Beaufort victory in business circles. It presents to the factor and exporter the first practical solution of the cotton difficulty.

Gen. Sherman at Beaufort, has decided to fortify his position on the land side, so that it will be impregnable.

The New Orleans Picayune thinks whiskey and ice must be growing exceedingly scarce in Richmond.

Rev. Mr. Sawtoll, formerly seamen chaplain in the port of Havre, France, made the following short but expressive speech, during the discussion on the American war and slavery.

The War Department will soon issue a circular addressed to the Governors of the loyal States, requesting the withdrawal of their agents for the purchase of arms.

Gov. Hicks has issued a proclamation calling a special session of the Legislature of Maryland, at Annapolis, on the 27th inst.

Why should not the slaves of South Carolina secede from their masters who were so ready to secede from the Government?

DEATH OF JUDGE SUTHERLAND.—Mr. Joel B. Sutherland, a well-known citizen of Philadelphia, died at his residence, in that city, on Friday night, in the seventieth year of his age.

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A GOOD SUGGESTION: A patriotic girl sends word to the soldiers to save the tops of their stockings, when the feet are worn out.

A few years since, Gen. McClellan offered his hand in marriage to Miss Ellen Marcy, a beautiful and accomplished lady, a daughter of Col. Marcy, of the U. S. Army.

PRICE OF COFFEE, TEA AND SUGAR.—The present increased price in the necessary articles of coffee, tea and sugar is not owing as many suppose, to scarcity.

The New York Sun says the Government is now actively engaged in fitting out two new naval expeditions to operate on the Southern coast.

A letter from Hilton Head of the 11th inst., states that the entire French lighting apparatus, formerly used on the Hunting Island and Martin's Industry light-house, was discovered in excellent condition in the arsenal at Beaufort.

The 92d Pennsylvania Regiment, Col. J. M. McCarter, known as the "Parson's Regiment," having received marching orders, have proceeded to Baltimore.

Black snakes are very abundant in the Federal camps in Western Virginia. The soldiers find amusement in catching and killing the reptiles.

A Texas paper says that "nobody ever saw Wigfall drunk." But Prentice says he has seen him when he wasn't sober by a jug-full.

The amount of the United States loan taken by the citizens of Baltimore, thus far, amounts to \$1,000,000.

A regiment per day will leave Harrisburg for the seat of war for some time to come.

CLIPPINGS FROM OUR EXCHANGES.

It is said that Mason and Slidell will be confined in Fort Warren, near Boston, with the other State prisoners, until definite action can be taken in our courts in regard to their future destiny.

John M. Whittemore, engineer of the Mohicon, killed in the engagement near Beaufort, belonged to Cambridgeport, Mass., where he was married less than a year ago.

Nicholas Walton, a government contractor at St. Louis, absconded on Wednesday week with \$6000 and another man's wife.

So much indignation was manifested when Gwin, Benham, and Brent, the notorious secessionists were released on parole, in New York, that, in compliance with telegraphic despatches, an order was issued by the War and State Departments to rearrest them.

A vote of the stockholders of the Pennsylvania Railroad was taken in Philadelphia a day or two ago, to decide for or against the leasing of the Sunbury and Erie Railroad.

Very little doubt exists that the veteran patriot and statesman, Hon. Reverdy Johnson, will be elected to the United States Senate by the Union Legislature.

Within the last two days a large number of regiments have gone over into Virginia, from Washington, and the general impression is that a forward movement will certainly be made in a few days.

Barum offers \$1000 for the lone representative of Southern chivalry found drunk at Beaufort, S. C., when that place was taken possession of by the Northern troops.

At Columbus, Ky., which is in possession of the rebels, a Dahlgren gun exploded, on the 11th inst., killing two rebel lieutenants and six privates.

The excitement at Savannah upon the receipt of the news from Beaufort is reported to have been intense.

Fifteen hundred rebel soldiers were discovered on Santa Rosa Island by the Federal patrol, about twenty miles from Fort Pickens.

It is supposed that Hon. James Guthrie, Secretary of the Treasury under President Pierce, and John J. Crittenden, will be the new Senators from Kentucky.

Hilton Island, on which our troops are, is eleven miles long and seven miles wide. It is famous for its growth of long staple, or sea island cotton.

Letters lately received from our minister at Constantinople, Hon. E. Joy Morris, confirm the theory that the enterprise of making cotton in Asia Minor promises to be completely triumphant.

It is stated that the President will soon issue a proclamation calling upon the Governors of the different States to furnish 200,000 additional men before the 1st of January.

The London Times says our independence is all stuff. Vanity Fair agrees with the great Blunderer, it is the kind of stuff John Bull needs the most.

National Salutes in honor of the victory at Beaufort, South Carolina, were fired at Washington, Philadelphia, New York and all the eastern and western cities.

General Nelson's great victory at Pickett, Ky., was achieved after a fight lasting two days, when the rebels surrendered unconditionally.

There are six full regiments at Camp Curtin, Harrisburg, ready to march to the seat of war, so soon as transportation facilities are afforded them.

The United States engineers were repairing damages to Fort Walker, and will have it in perfect order in a few days.

Ephraim D. Ellsworth, father of the late Col. Ellsworth, has been appointed military storekeeper by the President.

Benj. Stark, a peace democrat, has been appointed Senator from Oregon to succeed Baker.

Knoxville, Tenn., has been placed under martial law.

CONFESSION OF A MURDERER.—It may be recollected by many of our readers that about four years ago we published the awful account of the burning of the Perkins family, including father and mother, grandmother and eight children—eleven in all—perished in the flames!

An intelligent workman on army shoes informs the editor of the Newburyport Herald that the specifications are so faulty, in several particulars, as to preclude the possibility of their being drawn up by a practical man.

The California papers expressed the belief that several millions of the national loan will be taken in that State, since the miner may better invest his means in government paper bearing such a rate of interest than bury it in the ground.

An Improvement in Street Lamps has just been introduced in Brussels. The inventor, who has been granted a patent for his invention, places a series of metallic mirrors in the upper part of the lantern at such an angle as to reflect downwards upon the street the light which before went upward into the sky.

The Norfolk Day Book says:—"We have recently seen some candles which were told had been made from tallow and fat fried from dead Yankees who had been slain in several of the battles which have taken place between them and the Southerners."

Henry Ward Beecher delivered one of his characteristic lectures on the 31st ult., at Philadelphia.

No books now sold like military books. Our schools were advertising military departments, and even slugs were rising early to read the war news—to learn the latest "blunder."

A novel enterprise has been undertaken by a New York firm, in the republication of old American newspapers, extending as far back as 1728, and coming down to 1813.

The English admirers of Nathaniel Hawthorne, Esq., (whom the London Critic pronounces one of the best of American novelists), are getting up a large marble testimonial to him.

It is reported that one hundred marriage licenses were issued at Washington last month, about half the number being to soldiers.

CONFEDERATE FINANCES.—The Richmond Whig publishes editorially an analysis of the rebel finances, which is somewhat remarkable. The expenses of the current year are set down at three hundred millions.

A CHAPLAIN'S PAY.—The pay of a chaplain is that of a captain, \$150 per month; or by the recent decision of the War Department, the pay of a cavalry captain, which is \$60, three rations a day, valued at thirty-three cents, and \$8 a month, for a servant, if he really has one, which will cost the chaplain \$20 a month.

GENERAL SCOTT'S PAY.—The current monthly pay, subsistence and allowance of Lieutenant General Scott were, and by order of the President continue to be, while he is upon the retired list, as follows:

THE MARYLAND ELECTION.—The triumph of the Union men in Maryland is more magnificent than the most sanguine friends of the country anticipated.

MARRIAGE OF DAN RICE.—The Cleveland Plain Dealer has an account of the wedding of Dan Rice, which took place at his farm, near Girard, Penn., on the 5th inst.

CHALLENGING FOR A DUEL.—The following item appears in the correspondence of the Missouri Republican from Syracuse: "It is rumored that Adjutant General Thomas was challenged recently by Gen. Fremont, at Tipton, because he believed the latter was the source of many of the gross misrepresentations against him."

Fornay's Press says all the Kentucky patriots now in the City of Washington, George D. Prentice, Thomas H. Clay, Joshua Speed, and Ted Ward, among the rest, speak in the highest and most enthusiastic terms of Negley's Pennsylvania brigade.

WHAT A WOUNDED SOLDIER WANTS.—A gentleman informs us that one of the nurses at Poolesville recently approached the cot on which a wounded soldier of the Massachusetts Fifteenth regiment was lying, and asked him, "Is there any thing which you think of that you want?"

A GAY SPANKER.—The ex-Queen of Spain has taken to leaping ditches on horseback, which her male friends are unwilling to face.

Beauregard having in some of his published orders and reports cast reflections upon the military policy of the rebel government, an angry newspaper controversy has sprung up, in which he has been charged with ambitious designs.

Lieut. Fairfax, who arrested Mason and Slidell, is a loyal Virginian, a kinsman of ex-Senator Mason, and a descendant of Lord Fairfax, who employed Washington, when he was a young man, to survey the immense Fairfax estate.

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