

**Celebration of the 4th of July by the Colored Population of Columbia and the Surrounding Country.**

A great concourse of colored people, male and female, assembled for the celebration of the day at an early hour. A procession, consisting wholly of males, and estimated to be from four to five thousand in number, commenced its movement from the corner of Marion and Blanding street, and moved for the College Chapel at 9 1/2 a. m. The column moving in pairs, occupied one hour in passing any one given point. The colored spectators, females mostly, who lined the streets during the march of the procession, were probably more numerous still. Altogether, some ten or twelve thousand colored persons were present, more than one-half of whom were probably from the surrounding country. When the procession reached the College, it moved into the Chapel, and David Pickett was called to the Chair. The exercises were opened with prayer by S. W. Newton; after which the Declaration of Independence was read by James Barnfield. H. D. Edwards was then introduced to the audience and delivered an oration, which is described to us as quite eloquent and impressive. His subject was mainly industry and the necessity of labor, as the true means for securing freedom. He described to his colored brethren the blessings that would follow to them from the proper use of their freedom, and the dangers of its abuse. He counselled them to faithful working, each in his vocation; to the necessity of earning a living for their families as well as themselves; that they should teach their children to read and write, and train them up duly in the fear of the Lord. Such was the substance of this discourse, which is described as judicious, moderate and impressive. The orator of the day was followed by C. Carroll in a similar strain, who also, in a forcible manner, endeavored to impress upon his auditors the value of these wholesome truths.

And with these speeches at the Chapel, the exercises being concluded, the line of march of the procession was reformed, and the column moved to the skirt of woods near the Ladies' Hospital, where a bountiful supply of flesh and fowl, breadstuffs, cakes, pies, fruits, &c., awaited the gathering crowd. A hecatomb of beasts, of all sorts, were barbecued; thousands of chickens perished for the benefit of human liberty; turkeys, ducks and hams; pigs and other small deer; 2,000 loaves of bread, cart loads of cakes and pies, to say nothing of cookies, stickeys and other creature comforts, smoked on the platters, and were eagerly despatched. These were all commodities of regular purchase by the committee. There were large voluntary contributions, besides, of bread, cakes, pies, jellies, &c. The people did eat, but, as we learn from the complaints of sundry, they were not all equally well filled. A table was assigned to the white guests, the men of no color, people of Columbia and other parts. Several of these are described as well to do representative citizens of the city. For these, some good wines were provided, and champagne momentarily enlivened the hearts of many who had previously drank large quantities of the real article.

After the meet discussion of the meats, speeches were made severally by Mr. Jenks, Col. Van Wyck (formerly a leading member of Congress from New York) and Col. N. Haughton, Commandant of the Post; all of whose speeches are described to us as judicious in character, moderate and proper in tone and eloquent in illustration. In the evening, at 9 o'clock, a display of pyrotechnics, from the College Green, wound up the affair in a very blaze of glory. The proceedings were conducted throughout in a most sedate and orderly manner. There was no rioting or out-lawry; the negroes were invariably civil and respectful in their deportment, behaving with marked propriety equally in house and highway. We have heard of neither strife, nor blasphemy, nor drunkenness. For much of this order, decency, sobriety and good conduct, we are indebted to the excellent arrangements and wise precaution of Col. Haughton, who well merits the "well done" of our citizens at large, white and black.

A number of postmasters have been appointed for North Carolina and Texas.

The Charleston Courier comes to us on a sheet considerably enlarged. The Courier announces that the North-eastern Railroad will resume its operations on the 10th inst. At Florence, connection will be made with the trains for Kingsville and Cheraw. To the people of Columbia, the connection at Kingsville will present a greatly increased facility for travel to the city of Charleston and ultimately to Wilmington and the North.

The poor and suffering in Charleston are objects of earnest inquiry among the charitable. It would seem that there is no exaggeration in the report of the distress prevailing in that city.

The public schools of Charleston are closed for the summer, by an order of Gen. Saxton. The whole number of pupils is stated at 1,004. The average attendance was 650, of which number about one-sixth were white. Fifteen teachers are employed, of whom three are from the North, the remaining twelve are natives of Charleston—all under the superintendence of Mrs. E. H. Hawks. Miss Mary Weston's school of girls bore the most creditable examination.

A lady was run over and somewhat injured by a colored cart driver. The Courier speaks of these casualties as being of too frequent repetition.

Mr. M. Ainsley Scott, of the Live Oak Club, Charleston, was thrown from his horse while riding through the streets and narrowly escaped with his life. He was badly bruised and hurt, but no bones broken.

We have received by telegram from Richmond, addressed to the editor of the Phœnix, the following note:

"I have arrived here from prison. Please allow me a personal reply. (Signed) R. LEWIS."

We do not know Mr. Lewis, and presume that he addresses us only with the view to making known his safety and situation to his friends and relatives. The telegram is at our office for any relative who may call for it.

CHARLESTON MEETINGS.—A correspondent of the Courier, of the 3d, in reply to an editorial of that paper, states the following facts, viz:

"When the first call for a public meeting was issued, we think in April, the meeting was largely attended, and as the proceedings were about to be opened, certain people demanded admittance, which demand being refused, they entered forcibly. This proceeding was attended with a great deal of confusion; and inasmuch as the committee who had waited upon the commandant and requested the use of the hall were white men, and requested the use of it for white citizens, they of course considered their rights infringed upon, and consequently all, or at least nearly all, left the hall. The meeting which was then held, and the resolutions which were passed, were the proceedings of the colored men, and were erroneously published in your paper as emanating from the citizens of Charleston. The citizens of Charleston have not as yet had an opportunity of holding a meeting for the purpose of expressing their sentiments in regard to the Union."

Brevet Brig. Gen. W. T. Bennett has been appointed Commandant of the Post at Charleston, vice Brig. Gen. Wm. Gurney, relieved.

The cotton mills of Graniteville, S. C., and of Augusta, Ga., have begun regular shipments of cotton goods, to the New York market, and satisfactory returns have been made on the first shipments.

C. J. Faulkner, of Virginia, formerly Minister to France, and imprisoned as soon as he returned from it, has been pardoned. Henry S. Foote has made application for a pardon.

President Johnson has officially and by proclamation announced the entire cessation of the blockade so long maintained over the ports of the South. They are once more all laid open to the commerce of the world.

Howell Cobb is reported to have remarked, when he heard of Gov. Brown's arrest, "Yes, d—n him! he'll go to Washington a prisoner, and be sleeping with Andy Johnson in less than a fortnight."

No decision has yet been made as to the when and where of Jeff. Davis' trial.

**Buildings for Sale.**  
I WILL sell two or three NEW BUILDINGS cheap, 24 by 30 feet—to be removed. Also, eight or nine hundred feet of PLANK—sold with each house, if required. Apply to C. P. REMSEN, Corner Gates and Lady streets.

July 6

**Local Items.**

The travelling public will notice the advertisement of a tri-weekly express line of covered spring wagons, from Columbia to Orangeburg.

POST OFFICE AND LETTERS.—The post office is now kept in the College Campus, in the building one door above the quarters of Col. Haughton. We are instructed to say that there are numerous letters for citizens of Columbia, which have been accumulated for some weeks. Citizens had better look after them. The office hours for applicants are from 8 a. m. until 7 p. m. Mails are also despatched regularly to Charleston, Camden, Winnsboro and Newberry. The commandant courteously invites the citizens to avail themselves of these facilities.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.—We return our thanks to Capt. Mesnard, of the 25th Ohio Regiment, for copies of the New York Herald, of the 24th and 26th ult., and to Mr. E. Loomis for a copy of the Cincinnati Daily Commercial, of the 24th ult., and to Major Culp, of the 25th Ohio, for a copy of the Port Royal News, of the 1st inst. From Mr. J. Bates, we have also a copy of the Charleston Courier, of the 2d inst., and of the New York Herald and Day Book, both of the 24th ult. From most of these we make extracts.

We had the pleasure of meeting on the street, on the 4th, the Hon. Franklin J. Moses, of Sumter, here as one of the directors of the South Carolina Railroad. He maintains his health vigorously, and speaks favorably of the future of the railroad. We learn from himself and President Magrath that no effort will be spared to secure the necessary funds for the reconstruction of the road and its restoration to public use. The latter is about to depart for the North, in search of fund and material.

VIA GRANBY.—Our readers will perceive, with delighted surprise, from the advertisement of Messrs. H. Solomon & Co., that the ocean steamers are now enabled—thanks to the wondrous progress of art and science—to make their way from New York up the Congaree as high as Granby. With a little more ambitious advertising, they will find their way to Columbia itself.

FIGS FOR THE FEAST.—In the midst of the public celebrations of the fourth, we were not forgotten by our friends, and have to acknowledge a choice collection of creature comforts from the venerable firm of Zealy, Scott & Bruns, consisting of crackers and cheese, cakes and sardines, with certain other articles not less delightful to the palate because nameless to the ear. All the commodities were choice, and worthy of a birth day table in the palace of the Phœnix. In this connection, we must not forget a bowl of a most delicious beverage, such as was of famous manufacture in South Carolina in those days when she was famous for a thousand good things, and this bowl was worthy of her reputation for its manufacture in her best day. Thanks to the fair hands which compounded it. Nor must we forget to acknowledge the delicate breadstuffs and choice meats and other viands which girdled the bowl as with delicacies drawn from Samarcand.

**TOILET ARTICLES.**  
COMBS, BRUSHES, Gloves, Lace Mitts.  
July 6 ZEALY, SCOTT & BRUNS.

**COLUMBIA TO CHARLESTON.**  
A LINE OF COMFORTABLE HACKS is now established between Columbia and Kingsville, there connecting with the trains on Mondays and Thursdays for Florence and Charleston, via Florence. For schedule, see notice of the Wilmington and Manchester Railroad Company. For passage, apply at the July 6 5\* SHIVER HOUSE.

**SOAPS.**  
FANCY TOILET SOAPS, Brown Windsor  
July 6 ZEALY, SCOTT & BRUNS.

**Brass and Copper Wanted.**  
H. SOLOMON & CO. still continue to purchase BRASS and COPPER. The highest market price will be paid.  
H. SOLOMON & CO., West side of Assembly street, July 6 1mo Below Plain.

**Beverages.**  
EDINBURGH ALE,  
15 year old Bourbon Whiskey,  
5 year old Corn Whiskey,  
Champagne Cider,  
St. Julien Claret.  
Only sold on Col. Haughton's order.  
July 6 ZEALY, SCOTT & BRUNS.

**FRESH STOCK !!**  
FROM  
**Charleston.**

**MELVIN M. COHEN,**  
Assembly Street, West Side, one Door from Pendleton Street,

HAS just received a choice supply of the following articles, which he is prepared to sell at wholesale and retail, at LOW PRICES:

- CHEESE, SARDINES,
- No. 1 MACKEREL,
- Prime GOSHEN BUTTER,
- RAISINS, CURRANTS,
- FIGS, ALMONDS,
- PRUNES, CITRON, DATES,
- Butter Crackers,
- Wine do.,
- Congress do.,
- Young Hyson Tea,
- Superior Black Tea,
- French Chocolate,
- Coffee,
- Matches,
- Brown Sugar,
- Crushed Sugar,
- Lemon Syrup,
- Portable Lemonade,
- Raspberry Syrup,
- Cinnamon Bark,
- Cloves, Mace, Allspice,
- Nutmegs, Toilet Soaps,
- Colgate's Bar Soaps,
- Mason's Blacking,
- Bixby's
- Blacking Brushes,
- Scrubbing "
- Adamantine Candles,
- Scarfaletti Smoking Tobacco,
- Hycro do.,
- Climax do.,
- Brooms, Buckets,
- Fresh Hops, choice Segars,
- Briar-root Pipes,
- Colgate's Starch,
- Cold Pocket Hdks,
- Ladies' Hose,
- Gent's Half Hose,
- Superior LADIES' GAITERS,
- MEN'S GAITERS,
- CHILDREN'S GAITERS,
- NEEDLES, assorted, &c.

Together with a select variety of  
**Drugs, Medicines, Fancy Articles,**  
&c., &c. July 4 tuthms

**Choice**  
**WINES, ALE, CLARET,**  
**BOURBON WHISKEY, &c., &c.**

Just received and for sale low by  
**MELVIN M. COHEN,**  
ASSEMBLY STREET, WEST SIDE,  
One door from Pendleton street.

NOTICE.—Under recent orders from headquarters, no liquors of any description will be sold by the subscriber without a special permit from Col. Haughton, commanding, or a certificate from a respectable physician. July 4 tuthms

**DRUGS**  
AND  
**MEDICINES?**

A FINE stock of DRUGS and MEDICINES just received by  
H. SOLOMON & CO.,  
Assembly street, West, below Plain.  
July 6

**Notice to Travellers**  
**FOR THE UP-COUNTRY.**

PASSENGERS for all points on the line of the Greenville and Columbia Railroad, wishing to avoid delay, should secure seats in Dr. J. RUSSELL BAKER'S COVERED SPRING WAGON, which leaves Columbia for Alston Depot every TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY MORNING, at 6 o'clock. Travellers by this wagon arrive at Alston in ample time to take the trains for Greenville and all other points on this line of railroad—avoiding the great delay heretofore experienced at Newberry—the schedule of the Greenville and Columbia Railroad having been altered to meet the wants of the travelling public. July 4

Office Gen. Supt' Wilmington and Manchester Railroad Company,  
SUMTER, S. C. JULY 8, 1865.  
A TRAIN for the conveyance of passengers and freight is now running semi-weekly between Kingsville and Great Pee Dee River; leaving Kingsville each Monday and Thursday at 6 a. m., and arriving at Pee Dee same days at 1.45 p. m. Returning, the train leaves Pee Dee at 10.45 a. m. each Tuesday and Friday, and arrives at Kingsville at 6.27 p. m. Connections are made, both going and returning, with trains of the North-eastern Railroad and Cheraw and Darlington Railroad at Florence. Trips of this train will be increased to tri-weekly and daily, as connections are opened and business justified.  
HENRY M. DRANE,  
General Superintendent.  
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**AUCTION SALES.**  
Variety Sale.  
**By Durbee & Walter:**  
THIS DAY, July 6, at our office, at 9 o'clock, will be sold, the following articles:

Pickle Beef, Figs, Salt, Window Shades, Blinds, Glass, Screws, Bureaus, Yarn, Mattresses, Pillows, Bolsters, Chairs, Coats, Striped Homespuns, Marselles Vest, Shoe Brushes, Wall Paper, Ink, Needles, Hooks, Bedstead, Bagging, Pickle Jars, Carpenter's Tools, Crockery, Looking Glasses, &c. Also, a Four-Horse Wagon. July 6

**ZEALY, SCOTT & BRUNS**  
WILL sell, on FRIDAY, 7th inst., at their mart, at 10 o'clock,

- 42 Cotton Sheets.
- 6 Linen "
- 12 Dimity Curtains.
- 4 Marselles Quilt.
- 6 Damask Table Cloths.
- 5 pair super large White Blankets.
- 2 " " Blue "
- 12 Cotton Pillow Slips.
- 5 Linen "
- 7 assorted Quilts.
- 6 Huck Towels.
- Napkins, Doylies, Mantle Ornaments.
- CROCKERY.**
- Soup and Dinner Plates.
- Cups and Saucers.
- Dishes and Pitchers, &c.
- HARDWARE**
- 5 doz. Augurs, 5 doz. Chisels,
- 1 doz. Horse Raps, 10 gross Screws.
- 1 doz. Brazen Bits.
- 1 doz. assorted English Files.
- 1 doz. Axes, &c.

With articles too numerous to mention.  
Terms cash. July 6 2

**DOMESTIC VARIETIES.**  
**ENGLISH DAIRY CHEESE,**  
Boston Soda Crackers,  
Ginger, Tea Cakes.  
July 6 ZEALY, SCOTT & BRUNS.

**Just Opened,**  
**100 YDS. COTTINADES and BLUE DENIMS.**  
600 yards HICKORY STRIPES.  
900 yards ENGLISH PRINTS.  
1 case UMBRELLAS and PARASOLS.  
For sale by J. G. GIBBS.  
July 4

**For Tea and Breakfast.**  
**FINE GREEN TEA,**  
English Breakfast Tea,  
Crushed Sugar,  
Brown Sugar.  
July 6 ZEALY, SCOTT & BRUNS.

**THOMAS C. VEAL,**  
**Architect and Civil Engineer.**  
WILL furnish plans, specifications and personal supervision, with all necessary details for public buildings, dwellings, cottages, bridges, &c., for city or country. Surveys for city lots made on application. Office at A. R. Phillips', Be-dell's Row. July 6 w8\*

**Orangeburg and Columbia.**  
A TRI-WEEKLY EXPRESS LINE of covered spring wagons will run between the above-mentioned points on and after FRIDAY, July 7, running regularly on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, at 4 p. m., from Columbia, (connecting with the next morning's train for Charleston,) and on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays at 3 p. m., from Orangeburg, arriving in Columbia early the following morning. Relays of horses have been established at points on the road. Baggage for the present will be limited to one valise to each passenger. Seats can be engaged beforehand by application to E. Coffin or J. H. Fowles, Agents, at the store of R. M. Stokes, in Columbia, or John W. Ward, Agent, at Treadwell's Hotel, Orangeburg. July 6

**JUST RECEIVED**  
AND for sale at the corner of Bull and Senate streets, by G. M. COFFIN:  
**STATIONERY, SUGARS,**  
TEA, TOBACCO,  
FANS, CANDY,  
CANDLES, PENCILS,  
PARASOLS, STARCH,  
Turpentine and Toilet SOAPS.  
TOOTH BRUSHES,  
THREAD, FIG BLUE,  
ESSENCES, PINS,  
Ladies' UNDERSLEEVES, July 4 3\*

**BOTTLES WANTED.**  
WANTED, fifty dozen EMPTY BOTTLING TLES.  
July 6 ZEALY, SCOTT & BRUNS.

**NEW GOODS,**  
JUST RECEIVED BY  
**G. P. JACKSON.**  
EXTRA brands SMOKING TOBACCO,  
CIGARS, HATCHETS,  
Extra FAMILY FLOUR,  
KNIVES and FORKS,  
LONGCLOTH,  
DOMESTIC SHIRTING,  
White and Cold POCKET HDKFS.  
GLOVES, COURT PLASTER,  
TOILET SOAPS,  
HOOKS and EYES, PINS,  
Wide and Narrow TAPE,  
HAIR NETS,  
CRAPE COLLARS,  
LEAD PENCILS,  
PEARL BUTTONS,  
DRESSING COMBS,  
BLACK COAT BUTTONS.  
A small lot of TINWARE, and numerous other articles for sale July 4 2\*