

A report is published in late Richmond papers that the U. S. steamer Brooklyn has been sunk off Galveston by the Confederate steamers Alabama, Florida and Harriet Lane. The Alabama was at Kingston, Jamaica, on the 20th ult.; the Florida off the Bahamas on the 1st inst., and at last accounts it was believed that the Harriet Lane was still in Galveston harbor. The dispatch is dated Port Hudson, the 6th inst., and claims that the report was received from Baton Rouge, where the most of General Banks' army is located; but it is not generally credited.

Things have come to a sharp point between the President and the republican Senators about Mr. Seward. They now single him out and insist that he shall be removed.

A number of leading journalists and representatives of newspapers from New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Louisville, St. Louis, and Chicago, are now in Washington for the purpose of asking Congress to repeal the duty on foreign paper.

The marriage of Tom Thumb and Lavinia Warren, took place at Grace Church, N. Y., on Tuesday, and their reception at the Metropolitan Hotel, was attended by thousands.

Twenty-eight officers (amongst them Lieut. C. S. Shafer, 1st District Volunteers) are called to answer for being in the city of Washington without proper passes, and failing to report to the headquarters of the Provost Marshal, under arrest, as ordered; and twenty-five for failing to report at Convalescent Camp, Virginia, near Alexandria, as ordered by Gen. Martindale.

The schooner Antiope, from Nassau on the 31st ult., has arrived. She reports that the Florida arrived there on the 31st. She had not made any new prizes since operating off Cardenas. No Federal war vessels are at or near Nassau. The brig Porto Plata, from Port Au Prince, reports that on Feb. 2d, in lat. 21, long. 74, she saw two steamers steering east under steam and canvass—apparently a chase.

At Cincinnati a prisoner named Christopher Fleming, sentenced to imprisonment for life, for murder in the second degree, in 1848, has been ordered back by the Supreme Court for a new trial, after an imprisonment of fourteen years and five months.

Colonel Cushman was arrested on Friday at his residence at Ripley, Tennessee, and brought to Columbus yesterday in irons. Cushman burned more cotton, perhaps than any other man in the Southern Confederacy.

The guards in Washington, have just discovered two tricks of the liquor venders, which forcibly illustrate the character of the dodges which they employ. One of them is to take oyster-cans, fill them with forty-rod whiskey, and after hermetically sealing the vessel, pass it by the guards as so many cans of oysters.—The other dodge is to place a keg of what some of the boys know as "tangle foot," in the centre of a barrel filled with butter.

Gen. Burnside was "the observed of all observers" at the Tom Thumb wedding—among the crowd present.

Some of our contemporaries are discussing the question when rock oil was first discovered.—A writer in the Pharmaceutical Journal says it is no new thing to science or commerce. Herodotus Pliny, and other ancient authors speak of it.

Humprey Marshall's guerillas are committing raids in Bath county, Kentucky, and the adjacent mountain regions. The jailer of Bath county informs the Lexington Observer that Marshall has a mountain camp about twenty-one miles from Owingsville, whence his men make frequent descents.

The New York Journal of Commerce, of yesterday, thus speaks of financial matters in that city on Tuesday:—"Gold has fluctuated widely. The market opened at 154, sold down to 152 in the street, and went back 153½@154. Silver sold in lots to the brokers at 146@147, but all offering was readily taken."

The Ohio Yearly Meeting of Friends, have presented a memorial and petition to the Legislature, asking to be excused from all military requisitions, whether for men or communications, or equivalents of any sort for military duty, for the sake of their consciences.

The Memphis Argus says that the sum of \$13,000,000 in greenbacks has arrived there, and is to be used in paying the soldiers and for other government purposes.

The receipts at the Bureau of Internal Revenue during the last week amounted to one and a third millions. The receipts on Monday and Tuesday were \$436,000.

The New York papers are full of the Tom Thumb wedding—details which are in no sense creditable to the people who attended the show, or to those engaged in getting it up. A more disgusting farrago, than the account of the wedding of Tom Thumb, is not often presented to the public.

The Philadelphia Ledger says:—The number of officers of the army in the pay of the Government now absent from their commands must be enormous. The streets are full of them, hale, hearty men.

[COMMUNICATED.]

As it is impossible for hotels and restaurant keepers to force the military authorities into their terms, and, in truth, the military authorities being supported in their determination by nine-tenths of the considerate and reflecting citizens of the town, would it not be better for the proprietors of the hotels and restaurants to open their places of business again, and not "bite off their noses to spite their faces?" and besides, is the present "league" observed? Is that ascertained? O. P. Q.

BENEFITS.—Tim Hays, the Champion Clog Dancer, at Liberty Hall, has a benefit to-morrow night, when a suitable present is to be made to the best American Jig Dancer.

EATON STONE, the celebrated Equestrian, also has a benefit to-morrow night, at Nixon's Circus, on which occasion a watch and chain are to be run for by two soldiers.

As Stone and Hays are both great favorites with the visitors to the Circus and Canterbury, at Liberty Hall, both these places of amusement will doubtless be crowded.

DIED.

In Marlboro', Md., on Tuesday, afternoon, of pneumonia, Mr. **EARNST GASCH**, aged about 40 years. The deceased was an industrious, honest man, and a useful citizen, and his sudden demise is regretted by all who knew him.

FOUND, on Fairfax street, last week, at the door of Mr. Simpson's bakery, a **SMALL SUM OF MONEY**. The owner can inquire for it at Mr. Simpson's. feb 9—3t

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jan 21—1f

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