



Staunton Spectator.

STAUNTON, VA. FRIDAY, SEPT. 15, 1865.

PRINTER WANTED. - We are desirous to employ a printer in this office... one who is sober and industrious and of good character is need apply.

REMARKABLE PHENOMENON - INTERPRETATION SUGGESTED.

We publish in this issue two accounts of the remarkable phenomenon which was witnessed in Greenbrier county - one furnished to the Richmond Whig by an intelligent officer, and the other furnished to the "Spectator" by a gentleman of Lewisburg, whose intelligence, character and veracity we can endorse to the fullest degree.

The white bundles represent the cotton bales which the weakened serfs of Mississippi are now sending North, and the fringed gowns - blue or black - are the "old blue" which has in every other respect required herself so nobly, is expected to do likewise.

On Friday morning early, the 11th inst. Capt. John H. McNeill with 30 men, and Captains Holston and Frank Imboden with 20 men each, making in all 140 men, surprised in their camp near Moorfield, Hardy county, about 300 Yankees, killed and wounded about 85, and captured 147 prisoners, including 8 officers, 11 wagons, 72 horses, 130 stands of arms, 10,000 rounds of cartridge, 67 epileptic revolvers, 112 cartridge boxes, 100 layonet scabbards, 20 cavalry saddles, 9 drums and set of beads, together with all their camp equipage.

In the surprise and capture, the only person shot on our side was Capt. McNeill, who was slightly under the nose, the ball striking the skin, Lieutenant Isaac Walton, of Moorefield, severely in the upper part of one of his legs, and private Maloney, of Romney.

It is worthy of notice, as a remarkable coincidence, that the commandant of the Yankees at Petersburg, in Hardy county, had given orders and made arrangements to surprise and capture our camp at the very hour we played that identical trick upon them.

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CHRISTIAN OBSERVER.

The "Observer," a religious journal published weekly on a half sheet in Richmond, has raised its price from \$3 to \$6 per annum. In announcing the fact, the "Observer" says: "From and after the first of September, the subscription price of the 'Christian Observer' will be Five Dollars a year. The other weekly religious papers in this city are charging five dollars a year, and the weekly Herald papers charge three dollars. We were repeatedly advised by subscribers to make this change several months ago. It is necessitated by the increased expense of paper and printing, and every article of living.

It is necessary, therefore, that a weekly journal like the "Observer" should have its price raised to meet the increased cost of paper and printing. The fact is, that the price of paper and printing has increased in all directions, and it is necessary that the "Observer" should have its price raised to meet the increased cost of paper and printing.

The Richmond Examiner says: The city of the south is being glorified by the war, and with our independence will be established on new and noble merits. The Republic will give new titles of greatness. The honors of State, the worship of society, the rewards of affection will be for the patriots and soldiers of the revolution that will date our existence, while property will be a despised thing, forasmuch as it is not taken as the mark of the extortioner, and the reward of industry.

Mr. W. E. Logan, salt agent for this county has succeeded in getting the amount of salt allowed this county, and will have it distributed in each magisterial district. Fifteen pounds instead of twenty will be distributed to each person as the amount allowed was based upon less population than it should have been. If justice can be had, the other five pounds for each will be obtained and distributed.

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THE CONFEDERATE RESERVES.

In the late extremity, should the Confederate Government be able to raise up a reserve force, even by bringing into the field all the men between eighteen and thirty, and organizing into savage guerrillas all the young gentlemen between forty and sixty, there are good reasons to believe that they could do so.

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