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TO THE BALTIMORE CLIPPER.

STARTLING NEWS.

IMPORTANT IF TRUE.

NEWS FROM THE SOUTH.

Revolutionary Movement!

A CONVENTION OF STATES CALLED.

Peace Commissioners Appointed by the Rebel Congress.

SHERMAN'S RULE IN SAVANNAH.

Good Order Prevailing in the City

A National Bank to be Opened.

LATE NEWS FROM EUROPE

DETAILS BY THE MORAVIAN

The British Press on the Canadian Difficulty.

Ac, &c, &c.

Startling Report.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—A gentleman in Washington who has seen the official report of the Secretary of the Convention of States and the resolutions adopted by it, reports that the Convention is not a revolutionary movement, but a movement to secure the enforcement of the laws of the United States.

That among the Commissioners thus appointed are several who are well known as being desirous of bringing about a cessation of hostilities—Vice President Stephens, Mr. Hoyle, of S. C., and Messrs. Leach and Gilmore, of North Carolina.

From the Army of the Potomac.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE POTOMAC, JANUARY 13.—Several deserters came in today and also a signal of combat. They had travelled a long distance in the rain and mud and were objects of pity to all who saw them.

They report that the rebel cavalry have withdrawn to Hickford, on the Weldon Railroad, where they are in winter quarters. They were compelled to fall back to point owing to the lack of forage between the Rebel Station, and also for lack of transportation owing to the destruction of the railroad in that district by Gen. Warren. They, however, picked up as far as the Station, and on the west side of Hatcher's run, with the Division of Hill's Corps located on the Boynton plank road.

They have been very busy preparing the railroad north of Hickford, for the laying of the rails, but as yet none have been put down, because, as it is supposed, they do not possess them.

A beautiful flag recently presented to the 16th New York volunteers, by the Ladies Lawrence and Franklin counties, N. Y. It is a handsome and costly flag, and is interred in the ranks of the battles in which the regiment has been engaged. It is a well merited tribute.

MISSOURI, Dec. 31.—The following dispatch was received by Gov. Curtin this morning:

JEFFERSON CITY, Jan. 11. To the Governor of Pennsylvania: Free Missouri grants her oldest sister.

The Governor sent the following reply: His Excellency, T. C. Fisher, Governor of Missouri.

Pennsylvania, the first-born of freedom, welcomes her disenthralled sister, the State of Missouri, returned in the agency of the nation, and the three of us, as a nation, are united in the purpose of liberating her. Her offering to liberty cannot be accepted by a faithful and free people as one of the leading tributes to their matchless heroism and sacrifices to preserve and perpetuate our common nationality.

THE ANTI-SLAVERY ABANDONMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION—SHERMAN'S RULE IN SAVANNAH.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The House of Representatives has passed a resolution asking Congress to adopt the proposed amendment to the Constitution for the abolition of slavery.

A meeting of prominent citizens of the city was held at Columbus yesterday to take into consideration the proposed amendment to the Constitution for the abolition of slavery.

The Anti-Slavery Report shows the whole number of slaves and manumitted slaves in the State of Ohio during the year 1864. The number of slaves who died in the year 1864 was 1,000.

Washington Items.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Since the 10-10 loan closed on Saturday, returns have been made to the Treasury amounting to about \$2,000,000. This would leave outstanding about \$20,000,000 of the 10-10 loan. But as other returns are to be made, the amount outstanding will be still further reduced.

The Senate, in Executive session today, confirmed the following Presidential nominations—John Wilson, of Illinois, Stoddard B. Colver, of Vermont, to be Register of the Treasury; Elijah Sells, of Iowa, to be Auditor of the Treasury for the Post Office Department; Robert S. Runton, to be Collector of Customs for the district of Salem, and Mr. Beverly, of Massachusetts, vice Phillips, resigned; Elizabeth Newberry, and Charles McCutcheon Postmaster at Peckskill, N. Y.

The bi-monthly report of the Commissioner of Agriculture for November and December, says that however great the loss of farm labor has been, especially in the West, the usual amounts of wheat, rye and Indian corn, and the labor of the country has had a longer time during which to operate. It has been equally as favorable for the growth of these crops, and should they escape frozing out, the spring will open with the prospect of a diminished yield of these important staples.

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has decided that in States where the numbers of bushels for a ton of coal, as specified by State law, the officers of Internal Revenue will adopt the provisions of the law in an assessment of the tax.

The Treasury today received a message from the President in reply to a resolution requesting information concerning an arrangement limiting the naval armament on the northern lakes, an enclosure from the Secretary of State.

The history of the Convention of States, showing that the Convention is not a revolutionary movement, but a movement to secure the enforcement of the laws of the United States.

General Sherman has announced that he will soon open the Savannah and Gulf Railroad and had word to the effect that he will allow to any male person who is allowed to the city, and all females who are caught going towards the city are roughly searched.

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Southern News.

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FROM SAVANNAH.

The Augusta Chronicle and Sentinel of the 10th inst. publishes a number of news items derived from Savannah. The left Savannah about the 1st inst. The report of the 10th inst. is as follows:

A citizen was annoyed by a drunken soldier a few days since. The citizen knocked the soldier down, and the officer of the guard, as soon as he arrived, said nothing to the citizen, but had the soldier taken to the barracks, gagged and soundly whipped for his misbehavior.

A drunken soldier who undertook to create a disturbance recently, and who was shot down at once by the streets.

One or two of the Insurance Companies of Savannah are considering the project of establishing a National Bank for the issuing of greenbacks.

The Custom House and Postoffice are being cleared out preparatory to the commencement of business.

The soldiers are not allowed, under any circumstances, to enter private residences. The negroes in most cases are orderly and quiet, remaining with their owners and performing their customary duties.

One store, with goods from the North, has already been opened. Nothing but greenbacks are in circulation.

The churches on Sundays are well filled with ladies. On week days, however, but few of them are seen on the streets.

A majority of the male population have remained in the city. The families of most of those who left still remain. A majority of the citizens have provisions for some time, but there is a scarcity of wood.

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MARYLAND FINANCES.

Report of the Comptroller of the Treasury.

The subject is a brief synopsis of the report of the Comptroller of the Treasury, submitted to the Legislature on Wednesday, January 12, 1865.

Taxpayer Department, Comptroller's Office, Annapolis, November 25, 1864.

To the Legislature of Maryland.

In obedience to the resolution of the Legislature, the Comptroller of the Treasury has the honor to submit to you the following report:

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