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Augusta, Aug. 2, 1863.

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JOSEPH B. HALL, Secretary of State.

FIVE DOLLARS will be given for the detection and conviction of any person or persons plotting against the safety of our subversives.

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WAR MEETING!

AT
New City Hall,

WEDNESDAY EVENING, DEC. 2D,
At 7-1/2 o'clock.

The citizens of Portland will be addressed by

BRIG. GEN. SHEPARD,
OF MISSOURI.

The hero of many battles, having entered the service at the commencement of the war. He served under Fremont in the "100 days Missouri campaign," and was with Gen. Grant at Pittsburg Landing.

GOV. WASHBURN

will also address the meeting.

Citizens of Portland, come and give a rousing greeting to a live and loyal General.

The procession will be reserved for Ladies.

The Washington Tyrant and Despot.

Who has not witnessed the holy horror experienced by a portion of the Press at the alleged usurpations and contemplated despotism of one Abraham Lincoln, who now tyrannizes over the American people, and seems never so well pleased and self-satisfied as when curtailing the privileges and interfering with the constitutional rights of Mr. Jefferson Davis and those who are banded with him to work out the independence of the South, and to achieve their liberty—liberty to make negro slavery more sacred, and superior, to the natural rights of Man! Who has not read the patriotic protests issued by rebel sympathizers, against Mr. Lincoln proclaiming himself a Life Dictator, and performing one of those little French tricks by which Louis Napoleon cast his presidential robes and came out a fully developed and full feathered Imperial Sovereign? The Warsaw New Yorker has looked into this alleged contemplated usurpation of "Old Abe," by which the heretofore honest rail-splitter is to become the headman of American Liberty, and with his big broad ax to chop off the head of the "Godless" and in response to the statement that the President is about to declare his administration perpetual, exclaims:

"My hies! that's nothing; it is reported that Mr. Lincoln not only intends to be Emperor for the next two hundred years, but that he will issue a decree that all babies under fifteen years of age shall be drowned, that his young ones may not competitor for the next presidency!" He who reads the Washington on fire, and plays on a jewsharp from Arlington Heights, that he may know how Nero felt when fiddling over burning Rome. It is also reported that he will shortly order a draft of young and handsome female girls from every household in the land, and organize a harem, a la Turk. The rye crop of the entire West will also be seized to make whisky for the despot. Mrs. Lincoln is to wear black like her husband. Copperhead brought on a platter a sack every evening when she dances before the cabinet. Domestic peace" is the plea for these projects."

Our Prisoners at Richmond.

A statement has been made by several surgeons in the Army just returned from the Libby Prison at Richmond, which gives a bad picture of the suffering and cruelty experienced by our brave boys who are incarcerated in that city, header to be held in as infamous remembrance as Dartmore has ever been since the war of 1812-15. One of these Surgeons is A. M. Parker, of the 1st Me. Cavalry. The following extract will show how prisoners have been treated, and that the aid sent there by the Sanitary and Christian Commissions have been most timely:

WASHINGTON Nov. 27, 1863.

We, the undersigned, surgeons of the United States army, and recent prisoners at Richmond, Va., consider it our duty to publish a few facts that came to our knowledge while we were inmates of the hospital attached to Libby Prison. We enjoyed for several months daily access to the hospital where the sick and wounded among our Union soldiers received treatment. As a result of our observations, we must declare our opinion that since the battle of Chancellorsville the number of deaths per diem has averaged fully fifty. The prevailing diseases are diarrhea, dysentery and typhoid pneumonia. Of late the percentage of deaths has greatly increased, the result of causes that have long been at work—as insufficient food, clothing and shelter, combined with that depression of spirits brought on so often by long confinement. It may seem almost incredible when we affirm, of our personal knowledge, that the same hospital for Union soldiers, the average mortality is more than forty per day; and upon the more moderate assumption that we forced to believe that the deaths in the tobacco factories, and upon the Island, will rise the total mortality among the Union prisoners to fifty per day, or fifteen hundred monthly.

There is no longer furnished to any class of our prisoners except to a few officers in Libby Hospital, and all sick or well officers or privates are fed on a very poor article of corn bread in place of bread—an unsatisfactory diet for patients prostrated with the diarrhea, dysentery and fever, to say nothing of the balance of stirring incidents of individual suffering and horrid pictures of death from protracted sickness and semi-starvation we have had thrust upon our observation.

The first demand of the poor creatures from the Island is something to eat. Self respects, honor, manly courage, all of them are too often beyond all reach of medical skill. In one instance the ambulances brought seventeen to the hospital, and during the night seven of them died. Again, eighteen were brought to the hospital, and during the night nine of them died. Again, sixteen were brought to the hospital, and during the night eight of them died. Again, twelve were brought to the hospital, and during the night six of them died. Again, eleven were brought to the hospital, and during the night five of them died. Again, nine were brought to the hospital, and during the night four of them died. Again, seven were brought to the hospital, and during the night three of them died. Again, five were brought to the hospital, and during the night two of them died. Again, three were brought to the hospital, and during the night one of them died. Again, two were brought to the hospital, and during the night one of them died. Again, one was brought to the hospital, and during the night one of them died. Again, none were brought to the hospital, and during the night none died.

A PAIR OF BULLS.—We wish it to be distinctly understood that the Press was not on a spree yesterday, nor was its editor at all muddled, though he did, with his own hand, perpetrate two gross blunders. One was in saying that Congress was to assemble to-day, the first Wednesday in Dec. That August national manager opens its annual show on the first Monday in Dec., which this year will be Dec. 7th. In writing the paragraph for yesterday's paper, we simply confounded the day of the week with the day on which our legislature assembles, and did not notice the mistake till it was too late to change the types.

The other blunder was the paragraph in relation to the War meeting at the City Hall. On Monday we heard that a war meeting was to be held the next day evening, and coming to the office after midnight, were told by the night foreman that we were requested to direct attention to the call for such a meeting, then in type, and we penned the notice under the impression as to time that we had previously received, not knowing that the arrangement at first contemplated had been changed. So much for a pair of bulls which found their way into our columns. We protest that neither blunder should be attributed to the influence of the St. Andrew festival, which we had been attending, and which was the occasion of our late hours, for at that supper all the sentiments were baptised with pure cold water.

LEGISLATIVE PAPER.—The Keenebec Journal will be issued Tri-Weekly during the session of the legislature, giving full proceedings, debates, &c., besides a large amount of reading matter, and news of the day. Terms, one dollar for the session, in advance. We presume the Age will be issued tri-weekly on opposite days to the Journal, but we cannot speak positively on this point. The copperhead managers of that sheet cut us off from an exchange, so that we have not enjoyed its dark illuminations for many months past. The sunshines and manhood went out of that paper when "Dan Pike" left it.

A man in Poughkeepsie, N. Y., within three weeks has been drafted, married, and burned out.

War Meeting To-night.

HEAD QUARTERS, 16TH REGT., ME. VOL. 1.

NEW LIBERTY, V. A., Nov. 19th, 1863.

At a meeting of the Officers of the 16th Regiment of Maine Volunteer Infantry, the following Preamble and Resolutions were adopted:

WHEREAS, It has seemed good to a wise and mysterious Providence again to require an offering from our countrymen for the salvation of their nation's cause, and to take from us our brothers, Capt. C. C. Whitehouse and Capt. O. H. Lowell, therefore;

Resolved, That in this last extremity, we recognize the heroic and self-sacrificing qualities which we see in him, and which we deeply and painfully realize of the loss we have sustained, yet we can realize that "our countrymen are still here, and that we can recruit a useful and valuable power on earth, and the reward of their labors in a higher and better life."

Resolved, That it is an imperative duty we owe to their memories to recognize the moral and Christian-like virtues which ever pervaded their characters, and their qualities which we see in him, and their intercessions, not only with their more intimate associates but with all who were brought in contact with them, and that we can realize that "our countrymen are still here, and that we can recruit a useful and valuable power on earth, and the reward of their labors in a higher and better life."

Resolved, That while we realize fully our own loss in this dispensation of Providence, we cannot be unmindful that there are others, in our dear and beloved country, who are still here, and that we can realize that "our countrymen are still here, and that we can recruit a useful and valuable power on earth, and the reward of their labors in a higher and better life."

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