





The Enemy near Charlottesville and Richmond.

On Monday last, a large force of the enemy, consisting of about four regiments of cavalry, crossed the Rapidan River...

At the same time that this portion of the enemy's cavalry was advancing upon Charlottesville, another column crossed the Rapidan at a point east of Orange Court House...

Mr. W. G. Richardson, roadmaster of the Central Railroad, was taken prisoner near Frederick Hall, on Monday afternoon week.

Col. Edmund Fontaine, President of the Central Railroad, had barely time to escape from his residence, near Beaver Dam depot.

After they crossed the railroad, their forces were divided into two columns, one of which moved in the direction of the James River Canal...

They proceeded in the direction of the Rapidan River, and the other column moved towards the city of Richmond.

They captured a negro to guide them, and told them they could cross the river at Judge Perry's mill.

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The command was written in the hands of the person who had the papers of the command...

The following report of the enemy's movements was written on a similar sheet of paper, and on detached slips, the whole directed to the Richmond depot...

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Our friends in the present year—Will the people, many of them at least, supposed that in these times of sore trial, the "Old Commonwealth" would be compelled to impose a burdensome tax upon her citizens...

The most impressive and significant fact of the day is that the State of Virginia, the Flannder of the War in Yankee estimation, worn-out and nearly bankrupt, after three years of hostilities...

We give below an extract from the Enquirer of the 7th ult., which must awaken the generous sympathy of every patriot in our State.

Gen. Jones' Late Campaign.—The recent capture of Genl. Wm. E. Jones' near Cumberland Gap, sum up—one Lt. Col. and Captain, both wounded, five Lieutenants and 217 privates; also six deserters from the 27th Va. Battalion, and twelve citizens, thirteen negroes, twelve men and one woman, six wagons and harness, two ambulances, twenty horses and one threshing machine.

The numerous cellar doors in the pavements on main street are in every state of dilapidation from a broken hinge to a total wreck.

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MANY VOTERS.—The National Executive Committee of the Republican party have appointed the 7th day of June as the time, and Baltimore as the place for the meeting of the Convention to nominate candidates for the Presidency and Vice Presidency of the United States for the next four years.

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RELIGIOUS NOTICE.—To the members of the Methodist Church, Staunton, Va., who are desirous of contributing to the support of the cause of the oppressed...

MARRIED.—In the town of Staunton, Va., on the 10th inst., by Rev. W. G. Richardson, James Taylor, and Miss Sarah Taylor, youngest daughter of James Taylor, Esq.

DIED.—On the 1st inst., at the residence of Mrs. Wm. E. Jones, near Cumberland Gap, Wm. E. Jones, aged 57 years.

AUCTION SALES.—By PECK & TAYLOR, Auctioneers, at their Auction Rooms on Friday, the 11th inst., at 12 o'clock...

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