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PAGE 1: "The Message" extracts from "Ben's First" on The Race Problem, Trusts, Combines, Subsidiaries, etc. --- National aid to education has heretofore taken form of land grants and I do not think it can be successfully questioned when the form is changed to that of a direct grant of money from the public treasury --- The sudden emancipation of slaves, bestowal of suffrage which soon followed the impairment of ability of the states where these new citizens were chiefly found to be adequately provided with educational facilities presented not only exceptional but unexampled conditions --- it is essential, if much good is to be accomplished, that sympathy and active interest of the people of the States be enlisted and methods adopted should be such as to stimulate and not supplant local taxation for school purposes --- I recommend any appropriation made for this purpose be so limited in an annual amount and as to time over which it is to extend -- - give local school authorities opportunity to make best use of first year's allowance and deliver them from temptation to unduly postpone assumption of whole burden themselves.

--- "The colored people" did not intrude upon us - they were brought here in chains and held in communities where they are now chiefly found by a cruel slave code. Happily for both races they are now free. They have from a standpoint of ignorance and poverty, which was our shame, not theirs, made remarkable advances in education and acquisition of power --- They have their representatives in National cemeteries where a grateful government has gathered the ashes of those who died in its defense. They have furnished to our regular army regiments that have won high praise from their commanding officers --- in real life they are the toilers of their communities, making their full contribution to widening streams of prosperity the communities are receiving. Their sudden withdrawal would stop production and bring disorder in the household. Generally they do not desire to quit their homes, and their employers resent interference of emigration agents who seek to stimulate such a desire, --- but in many parts of our country where colored population is large, people of that race, by various devices, are deprived any effective exercise of their political rights and many of their civil rights. The wrong does expend itself upon those whose votes are suppressed --- When and under what condition is the black man to have a free ballot? When is he

to have those free rights which have long been his by law? When is that quality of independence, which our form of Government has intended to secure to the electors, to be restored? This generation should courageously face these grave questions and not leave them as a heritage of woe to the next.

"Our Merchant Marine" - There is nothing more justly humiliating to the national pride, and nothing more hurtful to the national prosperity than the inferiority of our merchant marine, compared with that of other nations whose general resources, wealth and sea coast lines do not suggest any reasons for their supremacy on the sea --- that the great steamship lines sailing under the flags of England, France, Germany, Spain and Italy, and engaged in foreign commerce, were promoted, have been and are now liberally aided by grants of public money is generally known --- that American lines of steamships have been abandoned by us to an unequal contest with aided other nations until they have been withdrawn or subject to serious disadvantages - a need for necessary steps in the direction of fuller and more beneficial intercourse with nations that are now our neighbors upon the lines of latitude, but not upon the lines of established commercial intercourse --- that such appropriations be made for ocean mail service, in American steamships between our ports and those of Central and South America , China, Japan and important islands in both of the great oceans --- and in some degree equalize the chances of American steamship lines in competitions they must meet.

We should also make provision for a "NAVAL RESERVE" to consist of merchant ships of American construction of specific tonnage and speed, as owner will consent to place at use of the Government in case of need as armed cruisers. England had adopted this policy, and as result can now, upon necessity, at once place upon her naval list some of the fastest steamships in the world --- The enlargement and improvement of our merchant marine, development of a sufficient body of trained American sea-men, promotion of rapid and regular mail communication between ports of our countries, adaptation of large and swift American merchant steamers to naval uses in time of war, are public purposes of the highest concern.

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PARIS, DECEMBER 4 - A dispatch to the "Times" from Zanzibar states that Stanley has arrived at Bagomoyo.

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COLUMBUS, OHIO, DECEMBER 4 - W.V. Marquis today filed necessary papers contesting office of Lieutenant Governor upon Lampson, who has twenty-two majority.

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RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, DECEMBER 4 - Governor Lee left this city to-night in a special parlor car, accompanied by several members of his staff, to attend Sampson County Fair at Clinton, N.C., where he will deliver an address to the Ex-Confederate soldiers tomorrow.

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RICHMOND, VIRGINIA, DECEMBER 4 - S.A. Martin and W.A. Powers, wholesale dealers in white goods and notions under firm name of Martin and Powers, made assignment today - liabilities \$55,000; assets unknown, stock estimated at \$25,000.

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"Parnell will not step Down" - LONDON - DECEMBER 5 - Parnell will speak at meeting at Albert Hall, Nottingham, Tuesday. His speech will be in reply to one made by Lord Salisbury at recent Conservative Conference in Nottingham. Arnold, Morley and Henry Broadhurst, Liberal Members of the House of Commons for Nottingham, will support Parnell.

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LYNN, MASSACHUSETTS - DECEMBER 4 - "Situation in Lynn" - For first time since the big fire it is possible to make a reasonably accurate canvass of the situation as it relates to industry --- fully 60% of the shoe and leather houses of the city were burned out -- over 80 shoes firms, 15 sole leather cutters, about 60 dealers in tops, stiffening and other shoe foundings were burned out --- largest part of the business portion was swept away - only a few buildings in Lynn are able to meet requirements of those burned out --- all available factories in adjoining towns are being used temporarily --- one firm will go to Marblehead, one to Berkely, one to Newburyport --- Losses were great --- That the town will be built up at an early date, is true, but the fire will have caused temporary spreading of the immense shoe business of Lynn, and it now looks as if it may take some years to bring this business back.

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FT.WORTH, TEXAS, DECEMBER 5 - "Bank Robbers Nabbed" - Lee Reilly and Charles Wolcott, nightwatchmen at the Farmers and Merchants Bank, were arrested yesterday for robbing the bank of five thousand silver dollars, and part of the plunder was recovered. The bookkeeper failed to turn the keys of the combination lock on the vault one night and Wolcott sent for Reilly, who came with a sack and the two carried the silver out of the vault.

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"Official Baking Powder Tests" - The Canadian Government affirms the superlative purity and strength of the "Royal" --- "As result of my investigations, I find the Royal Baking Powder far superi-

or to others. It is pure, contains none but wholesome ingredients, is of greatest strength, and should be used in every household in preference to any other" --- F.X. Valode, M.D., "Public Analyst, Ontario"

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JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI, DECEMBER 4 - "The Democracy in Great Shape? The Democratic Mass meeting last night to nominate a candidate for Mayor was an immense affair, the City Hall being packed with all classes of citizens; even ministers of the Gospel --- Major E. Barksdale was elected chairman --- Mr. H. Strauss was made Secretary --- General William Henry, present incumbent, and Hon. A.G. Lewis was placed in nomination --- Lewis, in a pathetic speech, withdrew his name and moved to make Henry's nomination unanimous. Hon. W.D. Gibbs of Yazoo, delivered an appropriate and ringing speech --- Committee on Resolutions composed of L. Brame, S.S. Carter, P.W. Peoples, Robert Smythe, S.S. Calhoun, W. C. Strauss, L.F. Chiles --- McGill, whose defeat 2 years ago was the subject of Chandler's sensational investigation, is again a candidate, and will be defeated at all hazards, as it is believed his accession to power again would almost ruin Jackson and probably result in removal of the Capitol. An executive committee of 100 with Hon. J.B. Harris as chairman, was appointed with instructions to elect the ticket. Following resolution was adopted "... after suffering under grievous wrongs and untold indignities heaped upon them by the inefficient, unsatisfactory and objectionable McGill administration, of unsavory memory and unwholesome odor, with its 14 years of maladministration and mismanagement, did on the first day of January, 1888, arise in their majesty and might, hurl from place and power those who had feasted and fattened on the sorrows and sufferings of others --- therefore be it resolved that the Democracy in convention assembled declare it their sacred purpose to elect and install the candidate nominated tonight---

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"Hon. Jefferson Davis - the Illustrious Chieftan of the Confederacy No More --- crosses over the River and Rests under the shades of the Trees --- The Entire South mourns Mississippi's Distinguished Son --- The elements, in sympathy with the South's grief, drape the Heavens a sombre hue --- the news received with profound sorrow by all classes and conditions alike. A biographical sketch of Mr. Davis' useful and eventful life in business, war and politics -- The 2 Kentucky boys, Lincoln and Davis on the Northern frontier -- a cotton planter -- Enters Congress -- The Mexican War -- President of the Southern Confederacy --

Imprisonment, Release and Old Age".

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NEW ORLEANS, DECEMBER 6 - TIMES DEMOCRAT - at 12:45 o'clock this morning Hon. Jefferson Davis, ex-president of the Confederate States, passed away at the residence of Associate Justice Charles E. Fenner. --- among those assembled in the death chamber were Mrs. Davis, Drs. Chaille and Bickham, Asso. Justice and Mrs. Fenner, Miss Nannie Smith - grandniece of the dying ex-president, Mrs. Stamps, Mr. and Mrs. E.H. Farrar --- It is believed that the foundation of the ex-president's last illness was malaria, complicated with acute bronchitis. --- dispatches from Western Union telegraph office were sent to Miss Winnie Davis, who is in Paris with Mrs. Pulitzer; to Mr. Davis' son-in-law in Colorado City; and Gov. Lowry of Mississippi was notified. --- Senator Jones, who had started from Iowa some days ago to pay a visit to his old friend and comrade, had not arrived yesterday --- Mrs. Hayes, Mr. Davis' daughter, who was due here yesterday, was detained last night at Fort Worth and is not expected to be in the city until Saturday morning --- The undertaking establishment of Johnsons' Sons have charge of embalming the body, and this morning finished their task in an admirable manner --- Mr. Farrar did not know if burial would take place in this city or elsewhere --- Mrs. Davis had not intimated where she desired interment to be made.

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**How the News was Received**

Charleston., S.C. Dec. 6 - City flags are at half-mast, Stars and Stripes displayed all over the City, principal stores draped in black. A movement is on foot to hold a memorial meeting on the day of his funeral under auspices of Confederate Survivors Asso. --- The Mayor of the city will order all public businesses to be suspended on day of funeral and issue a proclamation requesting citizens generally to pay honor to the distinguished dead.

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Augusta, Georgia - Dec. 6 - private and public buildings are being draped. Flags are flying at half-mast. Telegram was sent to Mrs. Davis by the Headquarters Confederation Survivor's Association signed by Chas.C.Jones, Jr., President, and F.M.Stovall, Sec., expressing profound sympathy and heartfelt sorrow.

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Wilmington, N.C. - Dec. 6 - The City Hall, rooms of Cape Fear Club and other buildings are draped, flags are at half-mast. A meeting of Confederate Veterans will be held tomorrow and will issue a call for general meeting of the citizens.

Ashville, N.C. - Dec. 6 - bells were tolled, flags put at half-mast, buildings draped in emblems of mourning, and a public meeting was called by the mayor for tonight.

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Columbia, S.C. - Dec. 6 - flags on all State Buildings are at half-mast, and the city bells are tolling --- General Assembly, now in session, adopted (copy of which to be sent to the family of Mr. Davis) resolution, requesting Speaker of the House and President of the Senate to communicate immediately to the family of Mr. Davis expression of profound sorrow and sympathy of the people of S.C.; and in token of their respect flags on the Capitol and other State buildings be placed at half-mast during present Session of General Conference --- General Assembly immediately adjourned out of respect in memory of the dead Chief of the South.

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Norfolk, Va. - Dec. 6 - The Pickett Buchanan Camp of Confederate Veterans met this afternoon and adopted resolutions in memory of ex-President Jefferson Davis - Telegrams of sympathy were sent to Mrs. Davis.

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Lynchburg, Va. - Dec. 6 - News of death of Mr. Jefferson Davis received with universal regret.

Greenville, S.C. - Dec. 6 - bells are tolling as mark of respect to the late Jefferson Davis. The Greenville Daily News will appear tomorrow morning in mourning honoring Mr. Davis.

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Richmond, Va. - Dec. 6 - The Legislature in joint session has appointed a committee to prepare resolutions appropriate to memory of Hon. Jefferson Davis, ex-president of the Southern Confederacy. Flags on State Capitol building have been placed at half-mast. The Legislature is considering a joint resolution for a committee to attend the funeral.

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Atlanta, Ga. - Dec. 6 - State house flag is at half-mast ---meeting of citizens to be held tonight to talk of closing business houses on day of burial --- movement has been started to raise fund to erect monument in Atlanta --- numerous subscriptions have been sent to the Constitution for that purpose.

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Savannah, Ga. - Dec. 6 - flags on City Hall, cotton exchange, armories and newspaper offices were lowered to half-mast; city offices were closed by order Of the mayor; Confederate Veterans Asso. will hold meeting tomorrow to take action on the ex-President's death --- Mr. Davis' last visit to Savannah was at time of Chatham Artillery's Centennial in 1886. A few days later

he laid the cornerstone of the Confederate monument in Montgomery. His reception by the military of the South, he said, was the great event of his life.

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Raleigh, N.C. - Dec. 6 - Gov.Fowle today sent telegram to Mrs. Jefferson Davis saying "---Almighty God, by His Providence, hath removed from this world the trusted leader of the State of N.C., in the 4 darkest years of her history I enjoin on the people of this state, laying .aside all business, to assemble themselves at their respective places of worship at time to be appointed for the funeral by Mrs. Davis, and to join in services suitable to the sad occasion.

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Washington, D.C. - Dec. 6 - Few Southern representatives about the Capitol today could be induced to talk about Mr. Davis' career, fearing their remarks would be misconstrued --- Representative Mills of Texas, however, spoke his mind freely to following effect: "Mr. Davis was regarded by Southern people as one of the greatest, best and purest men in the world --- He was our representative man, and all of the Southern people understood that opposition encountered and criticisms piled on him was intended for them --- His position was misunderstood in the North. Mr. Davis was a union man at the beginning, and he adopted the cause he did with great reluctance, but from a feeling of duty. He was deeply attached to union and wanted to exhaust every means on earth to prevent a rupture....". Representative Clements of Georgia said ---"a good man gone --- he lived to see largely modified the harsh criticism engendered by late strife and events in which he took such a prominent part, and the ultimate verdict of the world will be that he was both a statesman and a patriot --- in time to come, the North will agree in that judgment as well as the South ---". Representative Turner of Georgia expressed similar sentiments as Representative Clements.

Ex-Attorney General Garland said, "---I knew Mr. Davis quite well --- I was with him almost daily from Montgomery, Alabama, to Richmond during the whole time of war between the States, and I regard him as a man of fine attainments, polished and accomplished, brave and courageous and true to his principles; and I believe the Confederacy came as near succeeding under his Presidency as it would have done under that of any other man--." Justice Lamar expressed similar sentiments.

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Columbus, Ga. -\_Dec. 6 - Immediately on receipt of news of Mr. Davis' death a mass meeting of citizens was called by the Mayor pro tem Brannon --- eloquent speeches were made by a number of

prominent citizens and resolution adopted suspending businesses on day of funeral; memorial services in different churches; and the city to be draped in mourning. --- the Confederate Veterans met to take suitable action.  
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### **Biographical Sketch**

More than 80 years ago 2 Kentucky boys, born in widely different social spheres, entered upon still more widely diverse careers --- Abraham Lincoln born February 12, 1809, and Jefferson Davis born on 3rd of June preceding. --- No prophet would have dared predict in the days of their prominence that the rugged Lincoln would soon fall, while the defeated - an invalid during 1/3 of his life, would survive his great antagonist for a quarter of a century. The ancestors of Jefferson Davis were of pure English stock but had become thoroughly Southern American --- the Father, Samuel Davis, won distinction in the mounted troops of Georgia --- soon after the birth of Jefferson, Samuel moved to Mississippi, near Woodville in Wilkinson County --- his son Joseph gained local success as a lawyer and planter in Mississippi --- at an early age Jefferson entered Transylvania College, Kentucky. In 1824, President Monroe appointed him a cadet at West Point, whence he graduated in 1828 and at once entered on active duty --- in next 3 years demonstrated his organizing capacity, both as infantry and staff officer on the northwestern frontier --- In 1831 Black Hawk entered his famous campaign and Jefferson Davis was given active and responsible position to muster in and organize new recruits --- Early in 1838 Lieutenant Davis was transferred from Co. B, First U.S. Infantry, and in recognition of his services in Black Hawk War was promoted to 1st Lieutenant in First U.S. Dragoons, of which command he was soon made Adjutant --- in this position he made a very brilliant record --- especially in campaigns against the Comanches, Pawnees and other Indians At this stage of his career active criticism first concerns itself with Jefferson Davis --- writers who persist in attributing the downfall of the Southern Confederacy to Davis allege that thus early he exhibited the same faults and virtues which marked his administration in greater and greater degree with each successive increase of rank and power --- the greatest fault alleged, perhaps, is unreasonable attachment to a few friends and corresponding prejudice against others.

It was while in this service that Lieutenant Davis wooed and won a daughter of the eminent general and President Zachary Taylor, who was in command of Fort Crawford - near Prairie du Chien --- innumerable are the romantic stories of rivalries as

well as bitter opposition of the "stern father", and the final departure by night of the young couple to be married by a Priest on the western bank of the Mississippi --- Suffice it to say, the father remained obdurate for some time and was not completely (civil) to his son-in-law until the later (latter) lay wounded in his tent after the battle of Buena Vista --- at which time it was told that General Taylor's words to his son-in-law were "Colonel, you have saved the day - God bless you: When Dolly would have you, she was a better judge of a man than I was."

June 30, 1835 Lieutenant Davis resigned his commission and located in Mississippi, where he lived for 8 years a quiet life as a cotton planter --- then came a "crisis" --- the annexation of Texas, may be taken as 1st issue over which distinctively northern and southern parties confronted each other. In 1843 Lieutenant Davis took an active part in the state campaign and in 1844 was one of the Democratic electors for Mississippi. In 1845 he was elected a representative in Congress and in December that year took his seat in the House --- Mr. Davis took an active part in discussions on all issues, among them slavery so far as it came up, but his speeches at that time indicate a position far more moderate than was afterwards attributed to him --- it is worth noting that in the heated discussions regarding Texas the threats of disunion came largely from the extreme northern men, while the most eloquent eulogies upon the union came from the South --- In a speech on the Oregon question, February 6, 1846, Mr. Davis said, "From sire to son, has descended love of the Union in our hearts, as in our history are mingled the names of Concord and Camden; of Yorktown and Saratoga; of Moultrie and Plattsburg; of Chippewa and Erie; of New Orleans and Bunker Hill. Grouped together they form a monument to the common glory of our common country; and where is the southern man who would wish that monument were less by one of the northern names that constitute the mass?" In July 1846, while Davis was active in Congress, the 1st Regiment of Mississippi volunteers enrolled in the Mexican War, electing Davis as their colonel --- by September he was leading his regiment against Monterey; in February, 1847, he was at Buena Vista where his gallantry, coolness in danger and soldierly skill in battle fixed him firmly in the affections of the Southern people, aided him in each turning point of his subsequent career --- July 1847 found him again a peaceful planter in Mississippi; in August 1847 the Governor of Mississippi appointed him a U.S. Senator to fill a vacancy; in 1848 he was re-elected to complete the term and in 1850 was re-elected for a full term --- the ever memorable Congress of 1849 - 51 adopted the noted "compromise measure" which satisfied neither party --- result was the famous Foote-Davis

gubernatorial campaign of 1851. The "Union Party" carried the state by 7,500 majority on the convention question but Mr. Foote's majority for Governor was but 999 - a remarkable proof of popularity of Mr. Davis. He resigned his seat in the Senate and remained in retirement till 1852---

On March 4, 1853, President Franklin Pierce named Colonel Jefferson Davis as Secretary of War --- men of all parties agree that his administration of the War Department was marked by ability and energy, and many old officers testify that of all Secretaries in their times, Col. Davis was the most popular with the Army --- with the events of President Pierce's administration Congress and the country may be said to have entered in full course upon the proceedings which led to the Civil War.

At his retirement from the Cabinet in March 1857, Mr. Davis was elected as U.S. Senator for term to close March 4, 1863. He plunged at once into heated debates of the time, maintaining the rather extreme southern view with an ability and courtesy which elicited warm praise even from his foes Harper's Weekly in a sketch of him in 1858 stated "In the North, Col. Davis is regarded, somewhat unjustly perhaps, as a type of the southern fire-eater --- in his own country, he is intensely beloved, chiefly from his kind and gentle disposition. He is a man of whom Mississippi may well be proud." ---

Among other things Davis led the so-called "Lecompton Party" in congress in opposition to Senator Douglas, and in debate with him propounded queries and propositions which drew from the Illinois Senator his famous theory as to right of territorial legislature to adopt "unfriendly legislation" against slavery ---the break was now complete.

Did the war really begin in 1859?? An event at that time did precipitate the conflict - namely, the enterprise of John Brown. A million southerners who had laughed at the idea of danger from northern aggression suddenly were saying "We can no longer live in peace with the north; our allies have become our enemies; we must seek release from the connection while we can do so with safety." ---- On January 20, 1861 Jefferson Davis wrote his friend ex-President Pierce stating ---- "Mississippi, not as a matter of choice, but of necessity has resolved to enter on the trial of secession ---- When Lincoln comes in he will have but to continue in the path of his predecessor to inaugurate a civil war, and leave a soi-disant Democratic administration responsible for the fact, General Cushing was here last week, and when he parted it seemed like taking a last leave of a brother ---- civil war has only horror for me, but whatever circumstances may demand shall be met as a duty, and I trust be so discharged that you will not

be ashamed of our former connection or cease to be my friend."

South Carolina led off in secession; Mississippi soon followed - 5 more states on 21st of January 1861 senators from Florida, Alabama and Mississippi withdrew ---- before Senator Davis reached home Mississippi appointed him commander in chief of all her forces, with rank of Major General. On 4th of February 1861 delegates from several states convened at Montgomery, Alabama and adopted a constitution for the confederate states. On February 9, 1861 the convention unanimously elected Jefferson Davis President, Alexander H. Stephens was named vice-president, Davis names as his cabinet: Robert Toombs of Georgia, Secretary of State; Leroy Pope Walker of Alabama, Secretary of War; Charles G. Memminger of South Carolina, Secretary of Treasurer (Treasury?); Stephen R. Mallory of Florida, Secretary of Navy; Judah P. Benjamin, Attorney General; John H. Reagan of Texas, postmaster general. In the divisions that soon arose Toombs, Walker, and Memminger retired - others remained in the cabinet until the last.

Commissioners were sent to Washington and fruitless negotiations conducted. In vain President Lincoln proclaimed he "certainly had no desire and believed he had no authority to interfere with slavery." In vain President Davis reiterated that he longed to avoid the effusion of blood. On the 12th of April, 1861 the war began with the attack on Fort Sumter. Virginia seceded April 17, Tennessee and Arkansas followed May 6 and May 20 North Carolina completed list of 11 states. On May 20 the Confederate Government was transferred to Richmond, Virginia.

It is said "President Davis made 2 serious mistakes --should one say fatal?? - in manifestation of that spirit of 'always sticking to one's friends' - a good quality for a private man but for a commander-in-chief in time of war - it could be a critical folly --- Mr. Davis had served in the dragoons for several years at a frontier post with Lieutenant Northrup whom he highly regarded. Lieutenant Northrup had become disabled after an accident and returned to Charleston as a parish doctor. He had not served long enough in the army to acquire familiarity with military administration; neither had his avocation in Charleston brought him in relation with men engaged in large commercial affairs. He was generally regarded in Charleston as of unsound intellect and unfit for management of his own small affairs. Mr. Davis had no personal association with Lieutenant Northrup since they were cavalry lieutenants together on the Indian frontier yet he chose to make him his chief of subsistence, trusting him with the organization and administration of a bureau upon which the very existence of the Confederate armies must depend and for the labors of which it

is apparent the soundest practical order of intellect was essential.

The other charge so persistently argued was that Mr. Davis was "not able to comprehend the proportions of the struggle impending". But who was? A very few men, thoughtful men who drew their conclusions largely from History, predicted a long and bitter struggle; in the South it is doubtful if there were 50 men who believed it would outlast a year. President Davis, his cabinet and advisers shared the current belief that the war would be short and confined principally to the coast and the border between the 2 sections. --- On the Federal side much froth and nonsense of a "short war" was swept away by the Battle of Bull Run. The victory of Bull Run produced great exultation in the South, but appears to have a decidedly sobering effect upon President Davis and his cabinet---

In November 1861 Pres. Davis and Vice-Pres. Stephens were re-elected for full term of 6 years. On February 19, 1862, the first congress under the permanent constitution met at Richmond. In all the Confederate States there were not quite 6,000,000 white people, among whom the percent of men capable of bearing arms was surprisingly small. In the Federal or "adhering states" excluding all the doubtful and disputed strip, there were at least 18,000,000 white people, among whom the percent of adult males was phenomenally large. In the census of 1860 the south contained about 200,000 more women than men; the north about 400,000 more men than women so the north could send into the field 600,000 men and still have at home a percentage of men equal to that of the south in peace. ---- it may be admitted that the Federals were 3 times as numerous and 8 times as rich as the Confederates ---nevertheless hope and confidence were strong. The summer closed favorably to the Confederates though they gained little or none of the ground lost in the Spring. In April 1863 Pres. Davis issued a rather exulting address to the people --- the Confederacy was then at its maximum as a military power --- then the disaster of the summer from Gettysburg to Vicksburg. The year closed under the black shadow of coming doom, --- the real greatness of Jefferson Davis shone conspicuously as disasters thickened he regained the hearts of the people and almost nullified the opposition in congress. A committee of Investigation entered upon its work in hostile spirit but ended by endorsing almost everyone of the president's acts and even exonerated him from serious blame in the matter of Commissary Northrop. Davis exerted himself heroically in preparing for the Campaign of 1864 and it opened with some slight successes --- all the rest of the year presents a painful record of desperate struggle against the inevitable;

every victory was barren, every defeat irremediable, --- this fact was ever prominent: A man lost by Grant could be replaced, if desired, by 3; a man lost by Lee was a final loss. On April 2, 1865, seated in his pew at St. Paul's Church, Richmond, President Davis received dispatch from General Lee announcing his complete discomfiture. At 8:00 p.m. the president, cabinet and other officials left for Danville, at which point President Davis issued his last proclamation, his last state paper. Ten days later he was at Greensboro, North Carolina; a week later he halted at Charlotte where he first learned that \$100,000 reward had been offered for his capture as an instigator of the assassination of President Lincoln. All men now admit the charge was false. Another week found him almost alone, a fugitive in the forests of Georgia, with his wife and a few devoted adherents. On May 10 he was captured near Irwinsville, Georgia, by a body of cavalry under Lieutenant Colonel Pritchard. --- he was conveyed at once to Fortress Monroe, which he entered on 19th of May, to remain a captive for nearly 2 years.

And so all was over:: The Southern Confederacy had dropped to pieces --- and its president, once the beloved colonel, the honored senator, the Federal Secretary of War, the successful statesman and aspiring politician was a prisoner - in irons. --- Mr. Davis bore his sufferings with such Roman fortitude that southern hearts were knitted to him as never before. His critics apologized even when the truth was on their side. His first wife, daughter of General Taylor, had died many years before but his current wife, a lady of refinement and intellect worthy of any station, shared his captivity and excited the world's interest to his case. His oldest and most inveterate opponents were first to soften; the abolitionists asked clemency and in May 1867 before the U.S. Circuit Court in Richmond, Horace Greeley and Gerritt Smith joined with many southern men in signing his bail bond. He had been formerly indicted for treason; but in December 1868, by the same court, a nolle prosequi was entered and the case "The U.S. vs. Jefferson Davis" was ended forever and to the satisfaction of almost every American.

After a brief tour in Europe he located at Memphis as president of a life Insurance Company, but soon retired to private life. A bequest by a southern lady gave him a lovely home at Beauvoir, Mississippi on the shore of the Gulf. The loss of his son at Memphis was a severe blow but his wife and two daughters remain. Of these the younger, Varina Davis, affectionately known as "Winnie", is styled "The Child of the Confederacy" having been born in the Presidential mansion in Richmond during the war. She has lately shown literary ability of a high order, and may yet

rank among the noted authoresses of America.

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Mayor's Proclamation -Dec. 5, 1889 - In response to a telegram sent to Thomas H. Griffin, Mayor of Meridian, Mississippi, from office of Governor Robert Lowry, Jackson, Mississippi, and signed by E.M. Farrar the following proclamation was issued by the Mayor: Let every testimonial of sorrow and every mark of respect be shown to this truly great man. Let every bell in the city be tolled, let every business house be closed and let a public meeting be called at once to express the profound grief of this entire community.

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Local Brevities - The first office draped in the city was that of the Meridian Water Works, George B. Opp, Manager.

One of the most beautiful and most genuine tributes paid to the memory of Jefferson Davis occurred Friday at West End public school. When the teachers announced that Jefferson Davis was dead, many little girls burst into tears as if the death of someone near and dear to them had been announced. And as one little girl said, "When school was dismissed everyone seemed to be dumb."

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The speaker's stand at the Court House Friday night was decorated with a Confederate battle flag and with a picture of the Stars and Bars draped in black, furnished by Mrs. John J. Carson.

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DIED - FRIDAY AT 12 O'CLOCK, the brittle cord that bound little Nettie J. McCormick to this world was snapped asunder --- For 2 years and 4 months had she brightened the home of Mr. and Mrs. T.R. McCormick. --- the family conveyed little Nettie to Shubuta Friday morning, where she was buried by the side of a sister who had gone before.

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MERIDIAN MOURNS - The Board of Trade and Cotton Exchange adopts suitable resolutions ---The Confederate Veterans and a Citizens meeting held --- Committees appointed composed of Messrs. T.C. Carter, H.Sidney King, Jno.D.McInnis, B.F. Quarles, H.M.Threefoot --- Mr. Jno.W. Broach moved that the Exchange be draped and that it be closed on day of funeral --- A committee composed of Messrs. Henry Brooke, John W. Broach and Ed Metzger was appointed to ask the Meridian Brass Band to furnish music for meeting at the court house --- the president called on Col. J.R. McIntosh to respond at the court house on behalf of the Board of Trade.

A large meeting of the citizens was held at Court House Friday night --- Capt. John W. Fewell was elected to the chair

and Mrs. John D. McInnis appointed Secretary --- Judge J.S.Hamm moved that committee of 3 be appointed to draft resolution --- this committee consisted of Judge J.S.Hamm, Capt. Joel P.Walker and Mayor Thomas H. Griffin --- to be added to the 5 members of Board of Trade making it a Committee of 8. Rev.Mr. Gavin asked that Rev.Mr. Leavell be requested to lead the meeting in prayer --- after Rev.Mr. Leavell's invocation, the Queen City band played a dirge ---Capt. Joel P. Walker asked that a special committee of 10 citizens be appointed to act in concert with 5 members of the Confederate veterans, whose duty it shall be to arrange for a general memorial service, in honor of Mr. Davis, to be held on day for his burial. The choir appointed committee: Joel P. Walker, John D. McInnis,, Rev. W.H. Leavill, B.F. Quarles, Thos. H.Griffin, R.M. Bourdeaux, H.M. Threefoot, E.J. Martin, B. V. White, on the part of citizens; and S.B.Watts, R.M.Houston, G.M. Heiss, W.S. Harris, A.A. Dillehay on part of the Veterans ---A committee of condolence, consisting of H.Sidney King, J.R. McIntosh, Thomas H. Griffin, forwarded telegram of condolence to Mrs. Varina Howell Davis care of Judge C.E. Fenner - New Orleans, La.

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IN HONOR OF THE DEAD - Soon after the news reached the city Mr. George B. Opp, of the Meridian Waterworks, draped his building in the most artistic manner. "The News" followed the good example set, then others --- Jos. Baum, Marks Rothenberg and Company, Quarles Rogers and Bounds, Broach Bros., John Moseley --- many others have extensive drapery on their buildings.

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AD: DRS.BETTS AND BETTS - Medical Dispensary, 38 St.Charles Street, opposite St. Charles Hotel, New Orleans, La.

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SAYRE FEMALE INSTITUTE - Lexington, Kentucky - H.R. McClellan, Principal - a select boarding and day school for young ladies - Incorporated in 1854.

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B. M. WOOLLEY, M.D. - Whitehall Street - Atlanta, Georgia opium and whiskey habits cured at home without pain.

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DR. W. W. HALL, Physician and Surgeon - office over John Moseley's Drug Store (Hackett's Old Stand) opposite Bored Well, corner 4th Street and 23rd Avenue. Residence corner 16th Avenue and 17th St.

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WITHERSPOON & WITHERSPOON - Attorneys-at-Law, S.A. Witherspoon - W.D. Witherspoon - Office: 2320½ Fourth Commerce Street opposite Post Office.

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"MISSISSIPPIANS HONOR HIM" = Mississippians owe Jefferson Davis a monument, : -- Jefferson Davis honorably represented the State of Mississippi in the War with Mexico, afterwards as Secretary of War, and in the U.S. Senate -- when Mississippi seceded from the Union, obedient to the sentiment of his State, Jefferson Davis resigned his seat in the Senate; after which the provisional Government at Montgomery, Alabama, honored Mississippi by electing Davis president of the Confederate States of America. -- In history the name of Mississippi and Jefferson Davis will be indissolubly connected --- in life he served his state, in death he wears no visitor's crown other than the love of people he served --- for time being, Jefferson Davis remains will rest in soil foreign to Miss.; but Mississippians should not cease their efforts until his remains rest in Miss. soil, and his grave marked with a monument erected to his memory by Mississippians.

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The Oxford Globe says there are no dudes in the Legislature elected in November. If there were the other members might find it a relief to kill them, instead of killing time for so much per diem. "This is not a Blaine Administration:" - B. Harrison --- This sentence is not in B.Harrison's message, but the sense of it is written all over it from beginning to end. But before he gets through with it he will wish he had not made it a B.Harrison Administration.

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The preacher who tried to defeat Rev.Mr. Milburn for Chaplain of the House must feel like an ox in a ditch. He was too partially blind to see how unchristian it was to try and force a blind man out of a comfortable way of making a living.

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"GET THEIR NAMES" - a telegram from Washington, in Saturday's News says, "Few Southern Representatives about the Capitol today could be induced to talk about Mr. Davis' career, fearing their remarks would be misconstrued" --- Such Southern Representatives are not fit to represent any Southern District in Congress; (1) because they are too cowardly to speak for the people they represent and (2) because no such representative has an idea far enough above that of a goat for anybody to pay enough attention to it to misconstrue it. --- there are jackanapes at Washington who think themselves of such importance they fear to speak lest the entire country will tremble from ocean to ocean --- The Southern people respect even the prejudices of northern people in matters of the late war. What a lot of cowardly cravens the Southern people would be in sight of northern people, if like some of their mis-representatives, they should all seal their lips and fear to express

their love and admiration of Jefferson Davis. Misconstrued:: Well, what of it: Southern Representatives who have such a prodigious idea of their own importance that they fear a civil war would follow their words of admiration and esteem for Jefferson Davis are too small and thin-gated to be in Congress.

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With no enemies to punish and with no friends to reward, Jefferson Davis died honored, revered and beloved.

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The jury of the U.S. acquitted Jefferson Davis when alive. It is the pettyfogging shysters who will attempt to persecute him after death.

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When was it that it was not an "Era of speculation"? Adam and Eve looked upon the apple and speculated.

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The fact that the new member of the Supreme Court is to be Brewer, this is no cause to fear that the court will be any Fuller than usual.

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Weeping is just now the interest of Southern States. The partisan Republican Press will attend to the business of gnashing teeth.

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"PEACE AND GOODWILL" - In his reply to Mayor Shakespeare's official notice of the death of ex-Secretary of War, Jefferson Davis, the incumbent in that office, Secretary Redfield Proctor, who declined to lower the U.S. flag at half mast over the Department building, had the gall to say, "You will, I am sure, understand that the action is prompted by a sincere wish and purpose to act in the spirit of peace and good will which should fill the hearts of our people" --- just how Secretary Proctor wrought himself up to write a double-ended sentiment such as this, is hard to understand. To an ordinary individual not of the ordinary Republican kind, it would seem that the "spirit of peace and good will" would have led the Secretary to have lowered the flag as an "offering of peace and goodwil" from the North to the South ---the South really expected no such display of generosity from a Secretary-of-War, who to be a good Republican must necessarily put Republicanism above good-fellowship and humanity. --- Charles Sumner, one of the brightest minds of the Republican Party, was a sufferer from an attempt to make an offering of "peace and goodwill" to the Southern People. He asked that the names of the battles which commemorated the strife between the two sections should be removed from the flags of the Union. --- but the legislature

of his own state denounced him for the act. So deep did the denunciation cut him, he never recovered from the blow ---Redfield Proctor is not a Charles Sumner and he lacked the man-hood to do a manly act --- he refused to do an act which could but have reflected credit upon a generous foe. --- but as someone has well said, "it is the offender who never forgives." --- New Orleans on Wednesday will be a city of mourning. So it was with New Orleans when Garfield was buried. The South buried the weaknesses of the man beneath the respect due his position as chief magistrate of the Union, and joined the North in doing honor to his memory.

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"THE DETROIT TRIBUNE CHATTERS TO ITSELF": When the North tanned the hide of the Southern confederacy it left the bristles on the hide and there is where the North made a mistake" --- perhaps the idiot who wrote the foregoing is made(?) enough now, 25 years after the fight is over, to start out on a tanning expedition. If he should happen to be in New Orleans next Wednesday, he would find it an opportune time to establish his tannery. The dead chief of the Confederacy will be there, surrounded by a host of bristles that were left.

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The quickest way to reach the trusts is for the courts to make their certificates illegal. Trusts are founded by men with capital with the purpose in view of robbing someone of their just earnings. With certificates of stock having no standing before the courts, trusts would have little to live for.

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A committee of 100 people has been appointed to see that the Democratic ticket is elected. All that the 100 has to do is to go to the polls and vote and the Democratic ticket is elected.

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LYING IN STATE - NEW ORLEANS, DEC. 7 - The remains of Jefferson Davis are lying in state in the council chamber in the city hall. The coffin rests upon a catafalque and is devoid of much ornamentation. The casket has a silver plate, upon which is the single inscription: "Jefferson Davis at Rest" with the date of death added. Badges of the Confederate Asso. flag of the Washington Artillery carried through the war and a bunch of wheat, or pair of crossed daggers, as the plant is termed, fastened together with purple ribbon, are the only other ornaments. ---The desks of the Mayor and clerks have been covered over and turned into a platform which is a receptacle for floral offerings. The room is darkened and lighted by a cluster of electric lights, their brilliancy being dimmed by sable drapery. Soldiers in uniform stand guard, stacks of arms and cannon fill the corners of the chamber, and

all around the walls are rows of plants and shrubbery, forming a beautiful contrast --- visitors are filed through the room in regular column --- the number of colored people is marked. ---

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FROM THE PICAYUNE - New Orleans in common with the South went into mourning yesterday. Business was stopped, schools were closed, courts adjourned and every individual was oppressed with general gloom and sorrow --- in the peaceful atmosphere of the neighborhood in which Judge Fenner's house stands --- there in the parlor of that dwelling lay the motionless form of the mighty man who was the foremost figure in the awfulest struggle of the century; and there by its side was the loving wife, who in death as in life, was her husband's devoted companion ---hardly had the news spread before veteran soldiers of the Confederacy, ever loyal, began placing their services at the disposal of the family ---endless numbers of ladies came on a similar beneficial mission --- then came telegrams and signs that the whole nation had awakened to the fact that the President of the Confederacy was dead.

During the morning a colored man called to see Mr. Davis, and on learning of his death, went into the chamber and there fell on the floor on his knees and wept. He had come all the way from Fernando, Florida, to see Mr. Davis. He used to be in Mr. Davis' employ; his name was Milo Cooper.

Mrs. Hayes, Mr. Davis' married daughter was expected here last night by the Texas and Pacific route but the train missed connection at Fort Worth --- last evening Mr. Girault Farrar left to meet Mrs. Hayes and will bring her to the city.

Miss Winnie Davis went abroad only after a great deal of persuasion, her mother almost had to force her to go- Her health was very poor --- almost precarious.

A photographer took Mr. Davis' picture as he lay in the parlor on the undertaking bier, dressed in a suit of Confederate gray, his hands folded on his chest and his hair, white with age, brushed back from his majestic brow. His whole face, as was in life, showed a firm will and the power to do what he had determined.

At 11 o'clock at night, Mr. Johnson came with 3 carriages and a hearse and lid of the coffin was closed. The casket in which Jefferson Davis had been placed was covered with black plush and inlaid with bronze which is covered over with a cream colored silk. A large glass covers the body from head to foot and cream colored braid decorates the edges. Mr. Davis lay below the glass, the top was closed and palm leaves laid thereon.

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LIVINGSTON, ALABAMA - Dec. 7 - Special to the News: Mayor Chapman called a meeting of the citizens at 11 a.m. --- Many ladies were present, including teachers and boarders of the Normal College - -- committee on resolutions was made up of Messrs. Wright, Deloach, D.Hopkins, Curry and Sprott, representing the citizens and Confederate veterans of Sumter County --- Tomorrow at 3 p.m. all citizens will unite in a memorial service at the Presbyterian Church, Rev. B.F. Riley, DD, president of Howard College, to deliver a commemorative address.

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SELMA, ALABAMA - Dec. 7 - The Confederate Veterans' Asso. met this morning --- after a feeling address by Mayor W.E. Wailes, first vice-president, a resolution eulogizing Pres. Davis, introduced by Capt. R.M. Nelson - president of the Commercial Bank - was adopted --- Memorial services will be held at St.Paul's Episcopal Church on next Wednesday, day of the funeral.

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WASHINGTON - Dec. 7 - "A Noble lady - unlike some Southern Representatives, she has the courage of her convictions --- she lives at 235 Second Street, southeast and her name is Mrs. Frederick Fairfax --- her shutters are closed today --- draped from 3 wings of the upper story is a wide stripe of black; in center of each window sill, just where the black is fastened, is a rosette - two of them, one at each end, are red while the one in middle is white. The hues and manner of their arrangement combine to form colors of the dead Confederacy, and the display at this time made it evident that someone was sorry because Jefferson Davis was no more. --- Mrs. Fairfax is the wife of Frederick Fairfax, a gentleman of wealth --- she is the daughter of the late Lieutenant Cooke of the U.S. Army ---Fairfax was not actively engaged in the Confederacy but Mrs. Fairfax's relatives were all Confederates. --- a number of colored people gathered on walk opposite the house this morning and loudly critized action of the inmates, but they went no further and at a late hour this afternoon the dismal drapery with red and white rosettes were still in placp- fluttering in the cool breezes and reflecting their colors in the windows of Lincoln school building, which happens (curiously enough) to be precisely opposite #235."

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RICHMOND, VA. - Dec. 7 - Resolution of Special Joint Committee was submitted in the Legislature today recognizing in the death of Mr.Davis,the loss of a distinguished soldier, statesman and patriot in every position of life. --- The Chamber of Commerce held a largely attended meeting with a lengthy preamble and resolutions highly eulogistic of the life and character of Mr. Davis --- as

a remark of respect to his memory the chamber re-quested public and private businesses of the city be draped in mourning; places of business be closed on day of funeral; mass meeting to be held later in the city, at which time a memorial address will be delivered; that we earnestly request family of deceased to permit his honored remains to be buried at Richmond, capitol of the late Confederate States of America. The Stuart Horse (House?) guards of this city will send a delegation to the funeral. Gen. Thomas L. Rosser opened a subscription of \$1,000 for a monument to Mr. Davis' memory. Senator John W. Daniel has been requested to deliver an address on life and character of Mr. Davis.

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SAVANNAH, GEORGIA - Dec. 7 - The Confederate monuments in the park and cemetery have been draped and military armories are being hung in black --- the Confederate Veterans Association met today and arranged to send a tribute to New Orleans. ---General Henry R. Jackson, ex-Minister to Mexico and a brother officer of Mr. Davis in the Mexican War, as vice-president of the Association delivered a brief address. --- the Georgia Hussars, a part of Jefferson Davis' legion in the war, have draped their quarters in respect to the dead chieftain.

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CONFEDERATE VETERANS - at a called meeting of Walthall Camp #1, held at Court House Saturday evening, December 7, 1889, with Vice-President W.F. Brown in the chair and B.V. White as secretary, a telegram was read from Grand Commander E.C. Walthall requesting camp send delegation of veterans to attend funeral of Mr. Davis next Wednesday. --- a deputation of 10 was appointed; W.F. Brown as chairman, T.C. Carter, H.W. Wilson, George S. Covert, J. O'Neal, W.D. Cameron, A.B. Wagner, was appointed a committee to procure a suitable badge of mourning to be worn by members of the camp and all members be requested to wear this badge for 30 days --- on motion of Colonel M.H. Whitaker, a committee of 3, composed of M.H. Whitaker, H.W. Wilson, W.H. Curtis, was appointed to visit family of Mr. Louis Ochs and tender them and him the sympathy of this camp and offer them assistance.

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A DAVIS MONUMENT - The Daily News received telegram from "The Nashville American, Nashville, Tenn." requesting cooperation, in movement by Southern Press --- to get a distinct organization of Southern newspapers to raise the required fund or to cooperate with other organizations to raise a fund for building a monument to Jefferson Davis, Mr. Davis' family to be consulted in regard to location of monument.

The Daily News responded to the request saying "The News is

first and last for interment of Jefferson Davis' remains in Mississippi soil and a monument erected over his grave. If this cannot be accomplished, The News will cooperate with the Southern Press and other organizations to raise such a fund to erect a monument to his memory."

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40,000 VIEW THE REMAINS= NEW ORLEANS, LA. - Dec. 9 - a carefully taken census -- revealed an attendance of over 40,000 --- among the most touching incidents of the day was that of an old time worn colored man who knew the great chieftain in early life in Kentucky. He bent his palsy-shaking form over the coffined greatness and amid a torrent of tears exclaimed, "He is now with his Master where I will be with him in the sweet bye-and-bye."

New Orleans for the first time in her history observed a genuine "puritanic Sabbath" by ordering every business house in the city closed. Even French and Poydras markets.

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LIVINGSTON, ALABAMA - Dec. 9 - At memorial exercises yesterday afternoon the Presbyterian church was crowded to overflowing on stand in front of altar was elaborate upright scroll of white flowers and delicate evergreens crossed, with words "In Memoriam" "Our Honorable Dead" --- the church was appropriately draped --- choirs of various churches combined to sing --- First the Dead March in Saul was fully rendered by Professor T.G. Mackin --- Mayor Chapman introduced President Riley of Howard College, calling on Professor Wright of Normal College, for the opening prayer, followed by a most complete and eloquent address on the life and character of Jefferson Davis.

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NASHVILLE, TENN. - Dec. 9 - Telegram sent to "The News" by American Press advising of meeting to be held in New Orleans next Wednesday morning in regard to plan suggested for raising funds for monument to Jefferson Davis --- all Southern papers are requested to send representatives or proxies to this meeting. -- -The News responded by sending message that they heartily endorse the meeting and will cordially cooperate.

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RICHMOND, VA. - Dec. 9 - Action of Joint resolutions in reference to death of Jefferson Davis, was postponed by Legislature until Wednesday after the hour of the funeral.

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BALTIMORE, MD. - Dec. 9 - Southern students of John Hopkins University, at meeting in Hopkins Hall this afternoon, passed resolutions on death of Mr. Jefferson Davis.

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WINCHESTER, VA. - Dec. 9 - Lee Camp of Confederate Veterans held meeting tonight and passed appropriate resolutions. Memorial services will be held in Episcopal Church Wednesday in accordance with Gov. Lee's proclamation.

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WASHINGTON - Dec. 9 - The death of Mr. Jefferson Davis has aroused a curiosity respecting the relics associated with his capture at the close of the war, and which are now deposited in the War Department. Many requests have been made in the past few days for permission to see them, but in pursuance of Secretary Proctor's determination to officially ignore the fact of the death of Mr. Davis, all such requests have been denied.

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RALEIGH, N.C. - Dec. 9 - Gov. Fowle and staff and others have left here to attend the funeral of Mr. Jefferson Davis.

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"A TRIBUTE TO JEFFERSON DAVIS" (contributed) As we look around us today and see the great South in mourning --- as we catch words of condolence from every quarter, we recognize a glorious tribute to one who in all elements that constituted a sublime manhood had no superior--- Such a spontaneous, universal outburst of devotion to a defeated ruler has not been known among the nations of the earth, and it strikingly and touchingly verified truth of the tribute Hon. Horace Greely paid the imperial Lee - "that the rebellion had failed and gone down, but that the army and its commander had not failed". --- It shows to the world that there is victory in defeat and that a man of rare personal life and great moral excellence may dignify defeat. We find him first a man of remarkable endowments, rarely gifted, morally ambitious --- step by step he ascended the ladder of fame, moving from one grand intellectual accomplishment to another, growing and acquiring until he had filled every highly honorable position, but one -- in the old Government.

In the exercise of a superior judgment against public clamor and sentiment, he gave to his cause and the world 3 of the greatest captains of any age: Robert E. Lee, Albert Sydney Johnston, and Stonewall Jackson --- In the grace and dignity of his bearing and action, he was the South's representative of the Grecian lige, an Aristides, venerable wise and true to traditions of the past and the glory of a great cause --- yet, it was left for Mr. Davis, central figure of the "Lost Cause", humiliated prisoner of Fortress Monroe, with chains clanging about him and ringing a cry of appeal to the civilized world, manacled and despised, to so live and conduct himself as to maintain his heroic self-respect, the great principles of heroic accomplishments,

and to disclose great moral worth under the most trying and humiliating realities of defeat.

As we stand by his bier today with bowed heads --- as memory summons up the shifting scenes and startling enactments of the past and as we contemplate the forceful brain and strong arm that directed for 4 long years of terrible strife the fearful machinery of war, well can we exclaim as Mirabeau said of him-self, "Here lies the greatest head in all this Southland".

As here we stand with bated breath and muffled voices we look across the river, and "under the shade of the trees" we behold the image of the "Lost Cause". There is grouped around him, the imperial Lee, greater than Conde, Alexander and Napoleon, in the majesty and grandeur of his own glorious personality; next rises that grand man of whom his chieftain said, "If Albert Sydney Johnston is no General, I have none".; and thence comes that odd, peculiar, unique, forceful character - the Stonewall of the cause who never knew defeat "save alone in death". There stands Stuart, the brilliant Murat of the South; and Hood, the Marshal Ney, the "bravest of the brave"; and A.P. Hill, always ready, always reliable; and Pat Cleburne, the Irish Knight of the Cause; and old "Pap", that steady, stalwart fighter - and then back of the many gallant officers who gave their all and lives, there forms that innumerable host of chivalric men whose glorious deeds and heroic enactment have glorified the South. --- signed Cromwell.

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Just previous to preaching his sermon on Sunday, Dec. 8 at 11 o'clock, in the First Presbyterian Church, Mr. Leavell read a tribute to Mr. Davis --- "The most conspicuous figure in our greatest national tragedy has passed away from our midst and from the earth. The hearts of millions of men have watched with intensest affection the failing years of an old man who has finally fallen, as a shock of corn ripe unto the harvest --- could their hearts' love have withheld him from death to add other to his 81 years, he would never have died, so long as any man lived who bore arms in defense of the cause --- as every fallen cause that was ever esteemed sacred and great by a chivalrous people - so has our cause found its personification in the man who was our leader, and whose name will forever shine in its perpetual light. --- it is not merely that we would do honor to a great man, that we place upon the tomb of Jefferson Davis our tenderest offerings --- we would honor more the man as personification of the most sacred honor of an honorable people, a personification henceforth forever wrapped in the now spectral flag that was once torn into shreds by grim-visaged war, but which went to pieces with no dust of dishonor on its tattered folds. ---our only uttered regret is that

the body of Jefferson Davis should be laid in any other soil than that of this great State of Mississippi, a State that opened to him the opportunity of his greatness - for upon her his fame reflects its imperishable glory. Jefferson Davis is dead: May he live forever!

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DR. PIERCE'S WORLD-FAMED "FAVORITE PRESCRIPTION" - an invigorating, restorative tonic for women. I ---- it imparts strength to the whole system. ---- for over-worked, "worn-out", "run-down", debilitated teachers, milliners, dressmakers, seamstresses, "shop-girls", house-keepers, nursing mothers and feeble women generally.

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\$500 offered by the manufacturers of Dr. Suge's Catarrh Remedy for an incurable case of catarrh in the head.

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LOUISIANA STATE LOTTERY COMPANY - Incorporated by the Legislature in 1868 for Educational and Charitable purposes --- its Grand Extraordinary Drawings take place semi-annually (June and December) and its GrandSingle Number Drawings take place in each of the other 10 months of the year, and all are drawn in public, at the Academy of Music, New Orleans, La. Famed for 20 years, for integrity of its drawings and prompt payment of prizes, signed G.T. Beauregard and J.A. Endy, Commissioners. --- we the undersigned Banks and Bankers will pay all prizes drawn in the Louisiana State Lotteries which may be presented at our counters - R.M. Walmsley, Pres.La.National Bank; Pierre Lanaux, President State National Bank; A.Baldwin, President New Orleans National Bank; Carl Kohn, President Union National Bank --- Mammoth Drawing at the Academy of Music, Tuesday, December 17, 1889 - capital prize \$600,000 --- address M.A. Dauphin - New Orleans, La. or M.A. Dauphin - Washington, D.C.

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STATE BUSINESS COLLEGE - Thorough course, experienced teachers - send for circulars - Fry and Ostien, Meridian, Mississippi.

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NECROLOGICAL: Mrs. Aganes W. Berry, wife of Major M.F. Berry, died Wednesday evening at 7 o'clock at her home on 22nd Avenue in this city. Mrs. Berry was born May 12, 1842, and spent her early life in Picayune, Miss, and received her education at the celebrated Mary Sharp College at Winchester, Tenn. --- she was married on the 11th of June in the city of Mobile to Major M.F. Berry, former well known citizens of Jasper County and resided in that county until her removal to this city about one year since.

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DR. BULL'S COUGH SYRUP - "We are coming Father Abraham 300,000 more" to endorse the good and effective qualities of Dr. Bull's Cough Syrup in every case of coughs, colds, etc.

As a cure for chafed hands, nothing equals the celebrated "Salvation Oil" for sale by all druggists.

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Jake Kilrain arrived in Richburg, Mississippi yesterday. He will be tried Monday for his fight with Sullivan. He is accompanied by his friend "Doc" Adler. On his arrival at his late scene of defeat, he went at once to the residence of Mr. Charles Rich, where he was hospitably entertained --- N.O. States

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DR. KING'S NEW DISCOVERY --- if you have ever tried, you are one of its staunch friends --- if you have never used it and should be inflicted with a cough, cold or any throat, lung or chest trouble - secure a bottle at once and give it a fair trial --- Trial bottles free at A.J. Beck's.

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SYRUP OF FIGS - pleasant liquid fruit remedy - the most excellent laxative known --- abundantly gratifying to the California Fig Syrup Co.

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Don't be deceived by fictitious or paid for certificates. All testimonials printed in our paper concerning the merit of B.B.B. (Botanic Blood Balm) are true and genuine. Write Blood Balm Co. Atlanta, Georgia, for "Book of Wonders".

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SHILOH'S CONSUMPTION CURE - beyond question the most successful cough medicine we have ever sold --- a few doses invariably' cures the worst cases of cough, croup and bronchitis, while its wonderful success in cure of consumption is without a parallel in the history of medicine.

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TO THE MEMORY of our beloved sister, Mrs. Alice Venson --- She was born in Lauderdale County, Miss., July 26, 1868, and was married to I.W. Venson, Nov. 11, 1886. She departed this life Nov. 8, 1889, age 21 years. --- she was a member of the M.E. Church -- she left 2 sweet little children, a husband and a multitude of relatives and friends --- she died of typhoid fever --- "May the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ bless and sanctify this dispensation of His will, to the good of all who knew her - Amen" --- Rev. J.W. Wedgworth.

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NOTICE - The State of Miss. to Charles R. and Everett E. Ragsdale - You are commanded to appear before the Chancery Court of Lauderdale County, in said state, on first Monday of January, next, to defend the suit in said court of W.L. Alford, wherein you are defendants. This Dec. 5, 1889 - W.H. Curtis, Clerk.

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ELECTRIC BITTERS - E. Bainbridge Munday, Esq. County Attorney, Clay County, Texas, says "Am satisfied Electric Bitters saved my life --- My brother also was very low with malarial fever and jaundice, but was cured by timely use of this medicine".

Mr. D.I. Wilkinson of Horse Cave, Kentucky, gives a like testimony --- will ward off and cure all malarial diseases and for all kidney, liver and stomach disorders - Price 50 cents and \$1 at A.J. Peck's.

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CHARTER OF INCORPORATION AMENDED - of the City Compress Co. of Meridian, Miss. - approved Dec. 15, 1888, and amended as follows: by striking out in the fifth section of said charter the words "one hundred thousand dollars" and by substituting in lieu thereof the words "fifty thousand dollars" so that the 5th section, as amended, shall read ---- capital stock of said company shall be fifty thousand dollars but may be increased at the will of stockholders to two hundred thousand dollars, etc.

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THE THREE MILL TAX - Mr. J.E. Platt submitted information for all taxpayers of Lauderdale County, that they may know why the Board of Supervisors did levy the 3 mill tax for school purposes, on all the taxable property of the county, without exempting one inch of territory or a single individual from that tax --- he refers to Chapter 24, Section 75, Acts of 1886 --- also to section 10 of Article 8 of the constitution (act 1882).

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TWO HOUSTONIANS EACH \$2,500 AHEAD while making usual rounds yesterday a Postman happened in Sam Raphael's cigar store --- conversation drifted to Sam's good fortune in holding one-twentieth of ticket #25,369 which drew the \$50,000 prize in October drawing of the Louisiana State Lottery --- Sam said that he and Uncle Joe Baldwin, who held another one-twentieth of the same ticket, both sent their tickets through the Wells Fargo Express Co. and promptly --- their money through the same company. ---  
Houston (TX) Post - November 1.

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CHAMBERLAIN'S COLIC, CHOLERA AND DIARRHOEA REMEDAY - A Hale old man, Mr. Jas. Wilson of Allen Springs, Ill., who is over 60 years of age says "It is a wonderful medicine---" for sale by J. M. Kimbrough.

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SHILOH'S SYSTEM VITALIZER --- Why do so many people seem to prefer to suffer and be made miserable by indigestion, constipation, dizziness, loss of appetite, coming up of the food, yellow skin when for 75 cents we will sell them this guaranteed cure. Sold by J. M. Kimbrough.

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HOLMES' IMPROVED STORM PROOF COTTON SEED - 1373 pounds of lint cotton gathered from one acre planted with these seed --- the seed are put up in 2 bus, 'hel sacks and sold for \$1.25 per sack leave your orders at the store of H.F. Broach and Son or by addressing me - M.B. Holmes - Meridian, Miss.

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MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP for children teething is the prescription of one of the best female nurses and physicians in the U.S. --- used for 40 years with never-failing success by millions of mothers --- price 25 cents per bottle.

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MONEY TO LOAN - small or large sums, on short or long time, secured by deed of trust on farming lands situated in counties of Lauderdale, Jasper, Newton and Clarke --- apply to Cochran and Cochran, Meridian, Miss.

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ALLIANCE AND GRANGE department will be added to "The News" with the next weekly edition --- appointments for Mr. Jno.A. Bailey, County Alliance Lecturer, and Mrs. M.A. Brown (who will accompany him) are given out with dates and times to be at Mayatt's. Socalena, Good Hope, Vaughn,s School House, Sageville, Coker's Chapel, Causeyville, Antioch, Kewanee, Mt.Gileads, Union Grove, Simmon's School House --- both are authorized to receive and receipt for subscription to the "Daily and Weekly News", also for the "National Economist" and Morgan's History of the Wheel and Alliance.

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NOTICE TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN --- I have made arrangements by which the editor of "The News" agrees to devote part of that paper to the interest of Farmers Alliance --- in the interest of agriculture and other vocations and I have accepted the agency for it, and would be pleased to order same for any and especially Farmers Alliance brethren --- M.A. Brown, Vice Pres. County Farmers Alliance - Bailey, Miss.

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HASSON'S SYRUP OF TAR - Toboggan slides continue to be in great favor in the north. The management of one of the rinks in a large city proposes to give each patron a small bottle of Hasson's Syrup free ---should they catch cold, it is thus quickly cured and they are encouraged to come again. --- so, if you want to imagine you are going tobogganning, put your feet in a bucket of ice water, grind a coffee mill and buy a bottle of Hasson's tar --- the delusion will be complete --- for sale by J. M. Kimbrough.

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Wooing the Goddess Fortune in Boston - Mr. John H. Harvey, who does business at 304 West Broadway and is a popular citizen of South Boston, Mass. --- was a holder of a 20th of the second capital prize drawing of the La. State Lottery and he received \$5,000 in crisp bills last week. The full amount that was drawn by the number he held was \$100,000 --- Boston (MASS) Herald - October 2.

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NOTICE - The State of Miss. to Anthony Brown: commanded to appear before Chancery Court of Lauderdale County on first Monday in Jan. 1890 to defend suit in said court by Fannie Brown, where-in you are defendant - Dec. 3, 1889 - W.H. Curtis, Clerk.

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CHAMBERLAIN'S COUGH REMEDY - 50 cents bottle sold by J.M.Kimbrough --- a recent article in "Youth's Companion" on "How to cure a cold" advises a hot lemonade taken at bedtime --- this is a dangerous treatment especially during severe cold weather in the winter as it opens pores of the skin and leaves the system in a condition that another and more severe cold could be contracted --- there is nothing better for a severe cold than Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

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BICKLEN'S ARNICA SALVE - best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, ulcers, salt theum, fever sores, tetter, chapped hands, chilblains, corns and all skin eruptions ---- positively cures piles --- 25 cents per box --- for sale by A.J. Peck.

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CHARTER OF INCORPORATION - Queen City Carriage and Wagon Factory at Meridian, Miss. --- Section 1 - R.E. Savage, J.P. Walker, G.Q. Hall, E.D. Taylor, M. Medlin and such others as may become associated --- created a body corporate under name of Queen City Carriage and Wagon Factory domiciled at City of Meridian - State of Mississippi.

Section 2 - purpose of said corporation - to repair and manufacture carriages, wagons and other wheel vehicles; to do a general black-smith business and to manufacture spokes, hubs, handles and other wood and metal implements, etc.

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DR. KING'S ROYAL GERMETUER --- greatest discovery in medical science of the 19th century. Rev. J.B. Hawthorn of Atlanta, Ga., says he is a sufferer of Catarrh, as result of this he had to give up the ministry 6 months ago. After 2 bottles of this medicine, though not completely cured, he now experiences no pain or discomfort --- "and my wife, a life-long invalid from nervous headaches, neuralgia and rheumatism - after using uGermetuer for 2 months --- every sympton of disease has disappeared --- she appears to be 20 years younger and is happy and playful as a little child" --- price is \$2.50 per Gallon -- I.J.Pringle and Co. -- sold at J.A. Gulley's store, Box 255, Meridian, Miss.

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SHERIFF'S SALE - Stanley Reeves and Co. vs. M.E. Ulrick - execution in Circuit Court, Lauderdale County, Miss. --- Monday, the 6th day of January, 1890 --- for sale to highest bidder  $W\frac{1}{2}$ , NW  $1/4$ , Section 9, Township 7, Range 17 East situated in Lauderdale Co., Miss. --- this 28th day of November, 1889 - R.M.Bourdeaux, Sheriff.

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NOTICE - State of Mississippi to Charles D. Terry to appear in Chancery Court, Lauderdale County first Monday of Janyary, 1890 and show cause, if any, why final account of J.G. Terry, guardian of Gertrude Terry, deceased, should not be allowed and approved. Witnessed Dec. 3, 1889 - W.H. Curtis, Clerk.

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NOTICE - State of Miss. to G.H. Sumrall --- to appear before Chancery Court, Lauderdale County on first Monday in January, 1890 to defend suit of Lucy Sumrall --- this Nov. 20, 1889 - W.H. Curtis, Clerk by G. Henderson, D.C. --- you will further take notice that on Monday Dec. 30, 1889, before W.H. Curtis, Commissioner in Chancery, at his office in the City of Meridian, will be taken depositions of Joel Molpus, N.E. Taylor, Sarah Fisher, E.A. Fisher and others in support of allegations of this bill ---This Nov. 20, 1889 - Walker and Hall, Solicitors for complainant

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IRON NECTAR - the King of Tonics and a delightful beverage --- manufactured and for sale in pint bottles at \$1.50 per dozen by the Meridian Bottling Works --- A.B.Avery, Proprietor - Meridian. THOMAS M. FERGUSON, dealer in Davis Sewing machines - 2316 Front Street, Meridian.

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Men, women and children of the South --- buy portrait of the lamented Jefferson Davis in this number of "Once a Week" and frame it. It is drawn on wood and should decorate every southern home --- 10 cents at all news stands. Should you fail to procure it on a newsstand, a copy will be furnished on application to 65 Warren Street, New York. Inclose 10 cents.

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### THE MARKETS

**Cotton:** Dec. 9 --

New York - closed firm at  $10\frac{1}{4}$  - Middling upland  $10\frac{1}{4}$ ;

Galveston - Spots closed firm. Middling 9  $11/16$ , Sales 257 bales;

Mobile - Spots closed firm, Middling 9  $5/8$ , Sales 1,000 bales;

Memphis: Spots closed quiet, Middling 9  $3/4$ , Sales 24,000 bales;

New Orleans: Spots steady, Middling 9-11-16, Sales 6,500 bales.

**Grain and Provisions:**

New Orleans: Coffee firm common to prime  $6\frac{1}{2}$  to  $20\frac{1}{2}$

Rice dull, ordinary to good 3  $3/8$  to  $4\frac{1}{2}$ ; Sugar quiet - open kettle strictly prime 4  $3/4$  - centrifugal plantation granulated 6  $7/8$ ; Molasses steady - open kettle fancy 43, choice 41; Syrup 30 to 35.

Chicago: cash quotations: Flour - dull, unchanged; No. 2 Spring wheat 78 to 78  $1/8$ ; No. 2 Corn 32; Lard 5.00 to 5.92 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; short ribs 4.75; Whiskey 1.01.

**Naval Stores:** Turpentine steady at  $41\frac{1}{2}$ ; Rosin firm, strained 90.

**Meridian Wholesale Market** - C.R. Bacon 6  $5/8$  = 7; lard 64-8; sugar  $6\frac{1}{2}$ -7; coffee 19-23; molasses 25-46; Rice  $4\frac{1}{4}$ -5'; salt 90-1.00; tobacco 23-45; corn 55-58; oats 37-50; oats 15.00-20.00, cotton seed meal 20.00-22.00; flour 4.00-5.50; stick candy 9-10.

**Country Produce** - Retail Market: chickens 2.00-3/00; eggs 20-25; butter 18-25.

**Meridian Wool Market:** Wool, burry 10 @ 11; Unwashed 21 @ 23; Washed 32 @ 34

**Hide Market:** Dry salt hides, over 8 lbs. 4/ under 8 lbs. 3; Dry flint over 8 lbs. 5-6; under 8 lbs. 3.

**Miscellaneous:** stock peas 75; white peas 1.50-2.00; Beeswax 17-20; Sweet potatoes 50-60.

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SCOTT'S EMULSION of Cod liver Oil - good for coughs and consumption --- C.R. Bennett of San Francisco says after taking the Emulsion with Hypophosphites 3 times a day for 10 weeks "my avoird

dupois went from 155 to 180 pounds and over and my cough ceased." A.J. STONE, M.D. of Decatur, Ill, says "Big G" has given universal satisfaction in the cure of gonorrhoea -- price \$1.00 -- sold by druggists.

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FOR MEN ONLY - positive cure for lost and failing manhood; general and nervous debility; weakness of body and mind; effects of errors of excesses in old or young; noble manhood fully restored. How to enlarge and strengthen weak, undeveloped organs and parts of the body; unfailing home treatment - benefits in a day. Book of full explanations and proofs (sealed) mailed free -- address Erie Medical Co., Buffalo, N.Y.

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Dr. Parker's Medical and Surgical Institute - 151½ N.Spruce St., Nashville, Tenn. --- Treat and cure all chronic diseases - deformities and surgical -- sexual diseases of men, women and children --- evil habits or excesses, opium and whiskey habit. --- Private Lying-in-Hospital in connection.

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E.M. BALLARD AND CO., Produce and General Commission Merchants 743 Myrtle Ave. near Wallabout Market - Brooklyn, N.Y. ---wanted: butter, cheese, eggs, vegetables, dressed poultry, etc. --- will pay cash or sell on commission.

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The celebrated "Topaz" Remedies - "Eubank's Topaz Cinchona Cordial" gem of nerve tonics - cures Malana, fevers, etc; "Eubank's Topaz Blood Plus - positive cure for Scrofula, contaminated blood; Eubank's Topaz Ointment" cures Eczema, Ringworms, head sores, salt rheum, granulated eyelids and dandruff --- for sale by A.J. Peck, J.M. Kimbrough, M.J. Sharman, T.D. Reed, Whitfield and Lide, C.L. White and H.E. Stafford - Meridian --- I.L.Lyons and Co., New Orleans, sole agent for Louisiana and Mississippi.

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B.B.B. (BOTANIC BLOOD BALM) - Pure blood is what oils the machinery of life, eases every movement of the body, removes stiffness of the joints, drives out pain from the nerves, stimulates the brain, protects liver and kidneys, --- good blood and good brains are inseparable --- aim to keep the blood pure by using the only true blood remedy.

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SYRUP OF FIGS - manufactured only by the California Fig Syrup Co. of San Francisco, California --- combines juice of the blue figs of California with medicinal virtues of plants known to be most beneficial in treating the kidneys, liver and bowels.

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GEO. F. COLEMAN - HARDWARE DEALER - New Baker Breechloading shot-guns and rifles; builders hardware and blacksmith and mill supplies - 2216 - Fourth St. - opposity St.Charles Hotel, Meridian, Miss.

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S.E. CASTEEL'S SONS - complete stock of dry goods, shoes, shirts, neckwear, suspenders, notions, hats, collars and cuffs, trunks, umbrellas.

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BRYANT AND STRATTON BUSINESS COLLEGE - 406-3rd Ave., Louisville, Ky. - book-keeping, short-hand, telegraphy, penmanship, etc.

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HOMESTEAD NOTICES: Land office at Jackson, Miss. Notice is given that the following sellers have filed notice of intention to make final proof in support of claim and said proof to be made before the Judge or W.D. Cameron, Clerk of Circuit Court at Meridian, Miss., as follows:

Willie Brown, January 13, 1890, Homestead entry #11,118 for the NE1/4, SW1/4, SE1/4, NW1/4, Section 13, Township 5 North, Range 14 East, witnesses: Best Brown, Nelson Bennett, Clarke King, Billy Lewis - all of Meridian PO - Lauderdale Co., Miss. (notice given Dec. 5, 1889).

Julian B. Walthal - December 17, 1889 - Homestead #13,783 for W1/2, NE1/4, N1/2, SE1/4, Section 31, Township 6 North, Range 16 East - Witnesses: Charles Stafford, Aaron Smith, G.E.Buntyn, J.B.Manning - all of Meridian PO, Lauderdale Co., Miss.(Notice given Nov.7,1889)

Remus Coleman - January 10, 1889(?) - Homestead #14,365 for N1/2, SW1/4 Section 33 Township 6 North Range 16 East; witnesses: L.M. Hart, William Shackelford, John McShaun, Billy Martin, all of Meridian PO, Lauderdale Co., Miss.(notice given Nov. 21, 1889)

Amanda Patton - January 7, 1890 - Homestead #20,244 for NE1/4, NW1/4, Section 29, Township 7 North Range 17 East; witnesses: Henry Baines, Moses Hussey, George Patton, Frank Durr - all of Meridian PO, Lauderdale Co., Miss. (notice given December 5, 1889)

Francis Johnson - daughter and only heir of Nancy Lott, deceased. January 16, 1890 - Homestead #15,381 for SE1/4, SW1/4 Section 25 Township 6 North Range 15 East; Witnesses: Vianna Washington, Silas Smith, John Vance, Nelson Walker, all of Meridan PO, Lauderdale Co., Miss. (notice given Dec. 6, 1889)

Miles B. Holmes - January 18, 1890 - Homestead #15,035 for W1/2 SW1/4 Section 17 Township 7 North flange 16 East; Witnesses: W.W. Harvey, John Covington, Oliver Palmer, Jerry Ramsey, all of

Meridian PO, Lauderdale County, Miss. (notice given Dec. 6, 1889)  
----all of the above are signed by R.C.Kerr, Register.

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of Meridian, 45 acres in cultivation with two settlements, aver-  
age farm houses, good barn --- apply to J.G. Rainer, Edbony,  
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