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AT THE CONFESSORIAL.

We commend to our Copperhead friends, who have always sneered at the policy of enlisting colored soldiers, the report prepared by an Adjutant General Lee...

The paper of which we speak cites the conduct of the colored soldiers in our army, as well as the experience of every nation by which they have been employed...

Again, the plan argues elaborately to show that a soldier does not think; that an army is a nation; that discipline makes a man fight equally well upon any side...

Since the debate was opened among the rebels, every word they say has convicted them of the consciousness of the justice of slavery. It disproves everything they have asserted about the colored race...

THE FOURTH OF MARCH.

On this day President Lincoln enters upon his second term, amidst the benedictions of the loyal citizens of the United States.

Party hate has done itself to pieces against his spotless patriotism. Friendly imputations have long since hushed its hot criticisms.

Such a war necessarily clothes the chief executive magistrate with extraordinary power. Yet it is the most significant tribute to the character of Mr. Lincoln...

APPEARANCE OF RETURNED PRISONERS.

BEFORE RICHMOND, Feb. 25. Two days after the storming of Fort Fisher, I went over the scene of that desperate struggle...

But that picture, framed with death and ruin, was not to me so sad or pitiful as the sights I chanced upon yesterday near Aiken's Landing.

My query was soon answered. Our prisoners turned over, back came a thousand of our boys, among friends again after their terrible captivity.

It was the same story from all—of months of shelterless exposure to winter storms, and of systematic starvation. Many had been stripped of their own clothing...

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