your command, excepting the Thirteenth West Virginia Infantry, with twenty-five days' rations in wagons and three days' rations in haversacks, on the morning of the 4th instant, as soon after daylight as possible, for Staunton, Va., for the purpose of paroling such officers and men of the so-called C. S. Army who may wish to avail themselves of the terms granted by General Grant to General Lee, of bringing in as prisoners of war all you may be able to capture who refuse to surrender, and of administering the oath of allegiance to such as may wish to take it.

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Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

WM. RUSSELL, JR.,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

GENERAL ORDERS, } HDQRS. MIDDLE DEPT., 8TH ARMY CORPS,
No. 95. } *Baltimore, Md., May 2, 1865.*

The sale of portraits of any rebel officer or soldier, or of J. Wilkes Booth, the murderer of President Lincoln, is forbidden hereafter in this department. All commanding officers and provost-marshals are hereby ordered to take possession of such pictures wherever found exposed for sale, and report the names of the parties so offending, who will be liable to arrest and imprisonment if again guilty of a violation of this order.

By command of Major-General Wallace:

SAMUEL B. LAWRENCE,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

CHICAGO, *May 2, 1865.*
(Received 11.40 p. m.)

Hon. E. M. STANTON:

The funeral train leaves here at 9.30 this evening.

E. D. TOWNSEND,
Assistant Adjutant-General.

RICHMOND, *May 3, 1865—5.30 p. m.*
(Received 5.45 p. m.)

Hon. E. M. STANTON:

The special agent of the Treasury has to-day, I am informed, prohibited any wood or coal to be brought into this city for sale without a special permit from Washington. It is now perfectly evident that these agents are resolved that no one shall buy or sell even the necessaries of life except through themselves or their favorites. This is increasing the price of provisions. Corn-meal, the only food of most of the colored population, bears a higher price to-day than under rebel rule. Those who have tobacco or other produce to exchange for provisions, seed, and agricultural implements, are told that they can sell only to particular persons, for none others will be permitted to ship such produce. I know of no better system for robbing the people and driving them to utter desperation. If continued the military must feed the people or permit them to starve.

H. W. HALLECK,
Major-General,

RICHMOND, *May 3, 1865.*

Hon. E. M. STANTON:

I understand that Treasury officers construe the executive order as annulling that clause of mine which makes spirituous liquors contraband in Richmond. I think the exclusion of such liquors at this time a military necessity. With so many rebel soldiers mingling with ours, and a colored population of over 20,000, mostly idle and destitute, the introduction of spirituous liquors will certainly lead to personal conflicts and perhaps riots. Such an element of disorder should not be introduced.

H. W. HALLECK,
Major-General.

EXECUTIVE MANSION,
Washington, May 3, 1865—10.30 p. m.

Major-General HALLECK,
Commanding Military Division of the James, Richmond, Va.:

You have the authority to exclude spirituous liquor from your command and will therefore exercise it if you deem it necessary to the maintenance of order and military discipline.

ANDREW JOHNSON,
President of the United States.

WASHINGTON, *May 3, 1865.*

Major-General HALLECK:

You are instructed to enforce your own order in respect to trade and the sale of spirituous liquors. The President did not design to interfere with, but to ratify it. The order he signed under the representation and belief that I had approved it, which was not true, for my first knowledge of it was seeing it in the papers. If any Treasury agents interfere with your order to the danger of your command arrest and imprison them. In a day or two the whole matter will be properly regulated by the President.

E. M. STANTON,
Secretary of War.

RICHMOND, VA., *May 3, 1865.*
(Received 5.30 p. m.)

Lieut. Gen. U. S. GRANT:

Would it not be well to repair the Petersburg and Weldon road as far south as possible so as to meet General Sherman with supplies? It is reported to be in good order south of Stony Creek.

H. W. HALLECK,
Major-General, Commanding.

RICHMOND, VA., *May 3, 1865.*

Lieutenant-General GRANT:

General Sheridan's command will reach Petersburg to-day. It will require some days to refit. General Sheridan has been ordered to report to you in Washington.

H. W. HALLECK,
Major-General, Commanding.