

## **HISTORICAL TIMELINE**

# Finding Freedom's Home

Mitchelville: the First Self-Governed  
Freedmen's Community in the

United States



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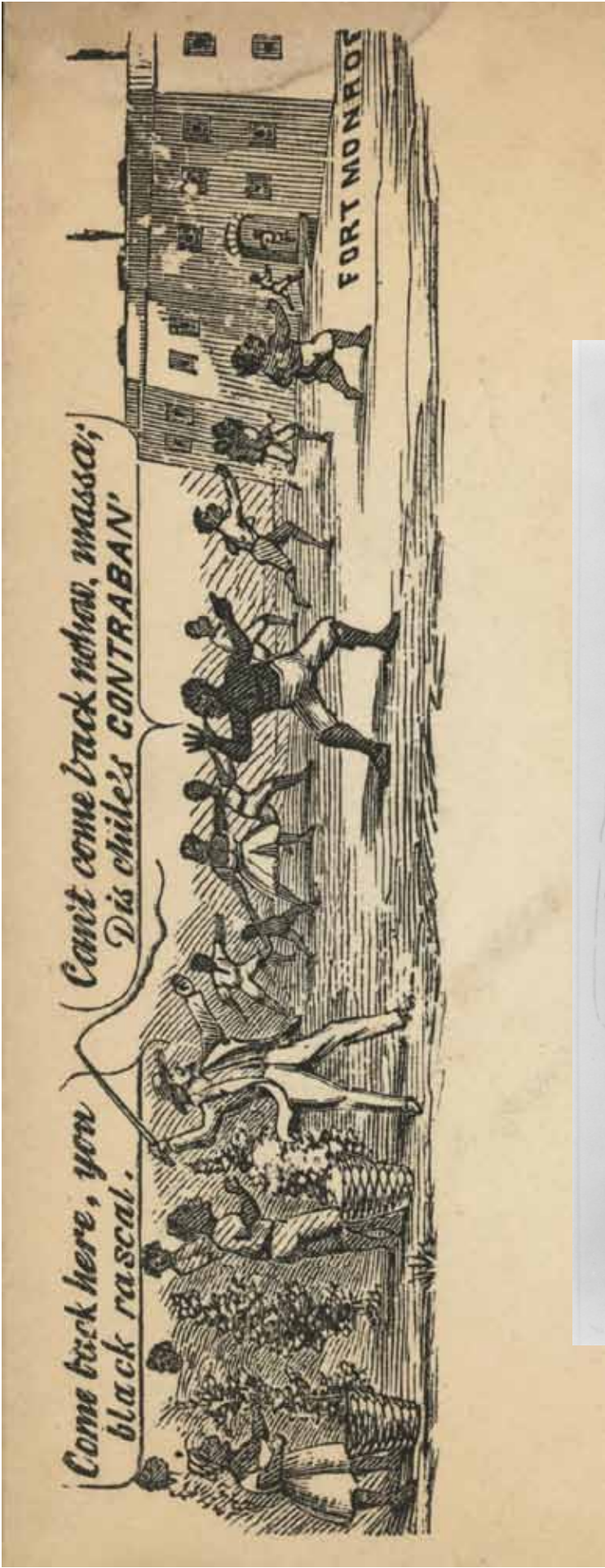
12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> of April, 1861.

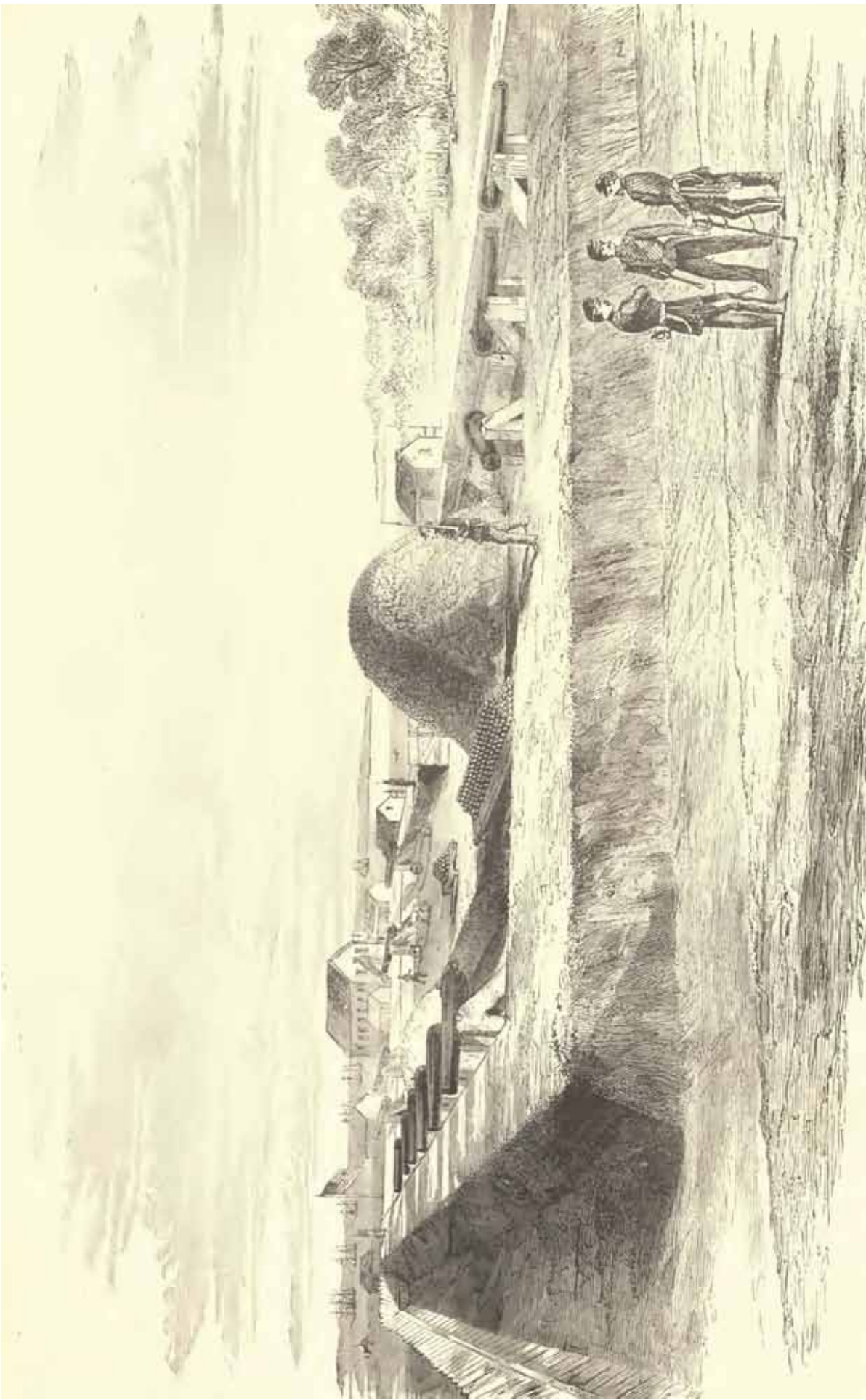
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General P. T. Beuregard

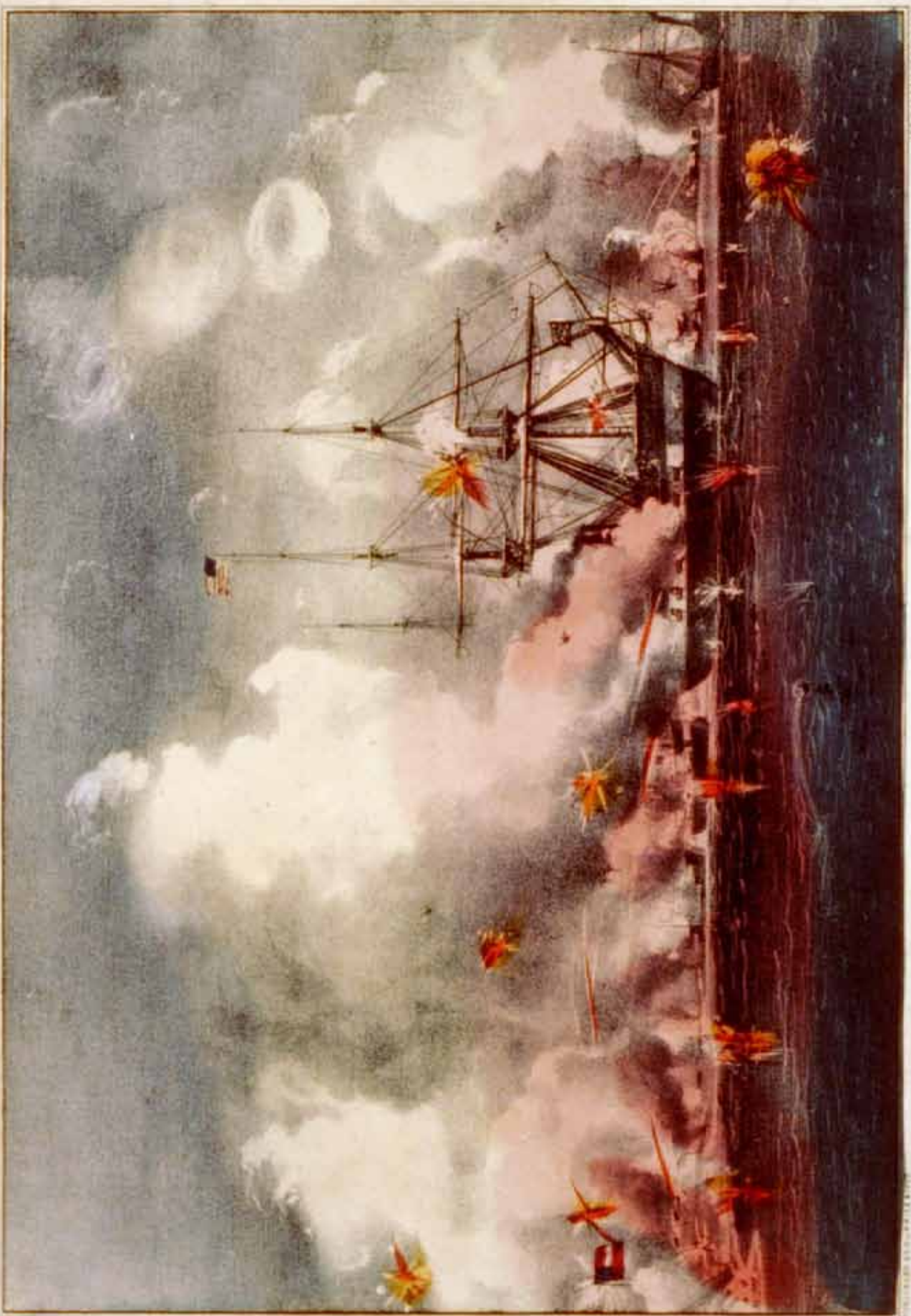




July, 1861 Construction of Fort Walker and Fort Beauregard at Port Royal Sound Begins

Captain Samuel DuPont



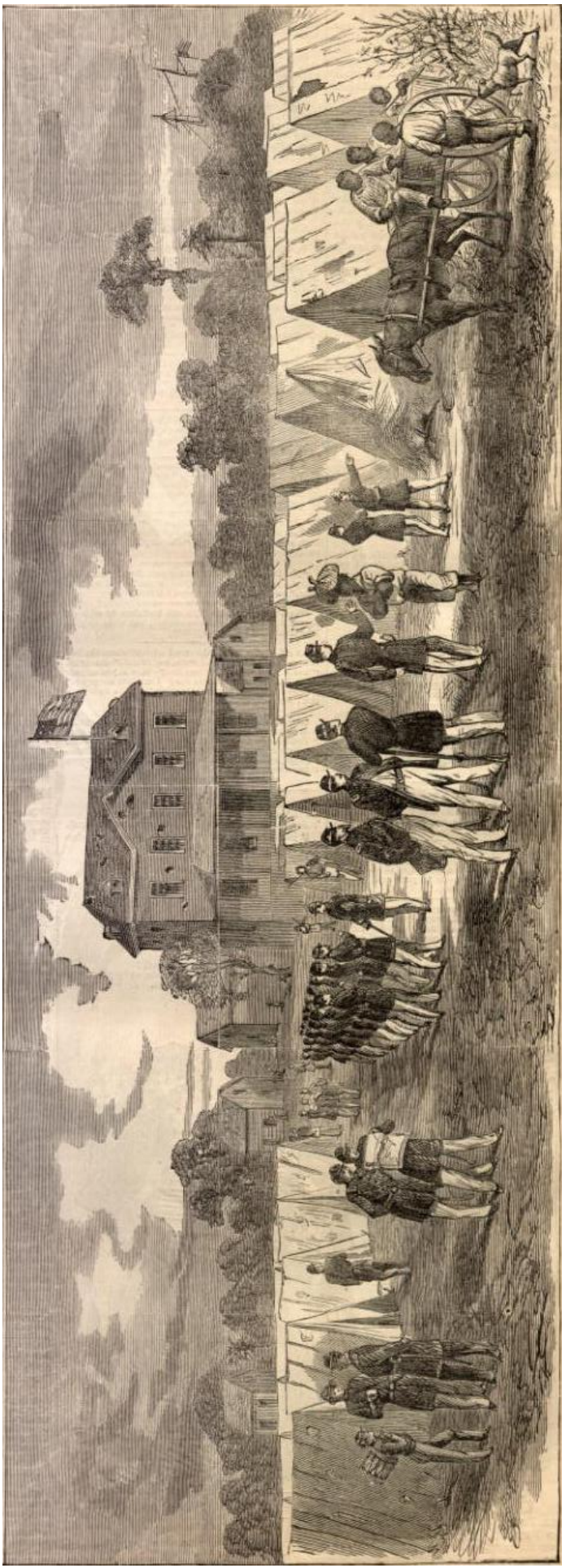


THE BATTLE OF MONITOR AND RAMBLE, JULY 31, 1862.  
By the United States Fleet, under Command of Commodore Dupont.

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Hilton Head Island becomes the headquarters for the US Army's Department of the South



UNION TROOPS REMOVING THE "HOBBLE" FROM ESCAPED SLAVES--A SCENE ON OTTER ISLAND, S. C. FROM A SKETCH BY HENRY STUBBS.—See page 26.

By December 8, 1861 400 Contrabands are living at the Union encampment



General David Hunter



Office Supt. of Contrabands  
Hillsboro Head, S.C.  
Phot. Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> 1864



Refugees Quarters,  
Lincoln Heights, S.C.  
Phot. Oct. 27th 1864



General Ormsby Mitchell

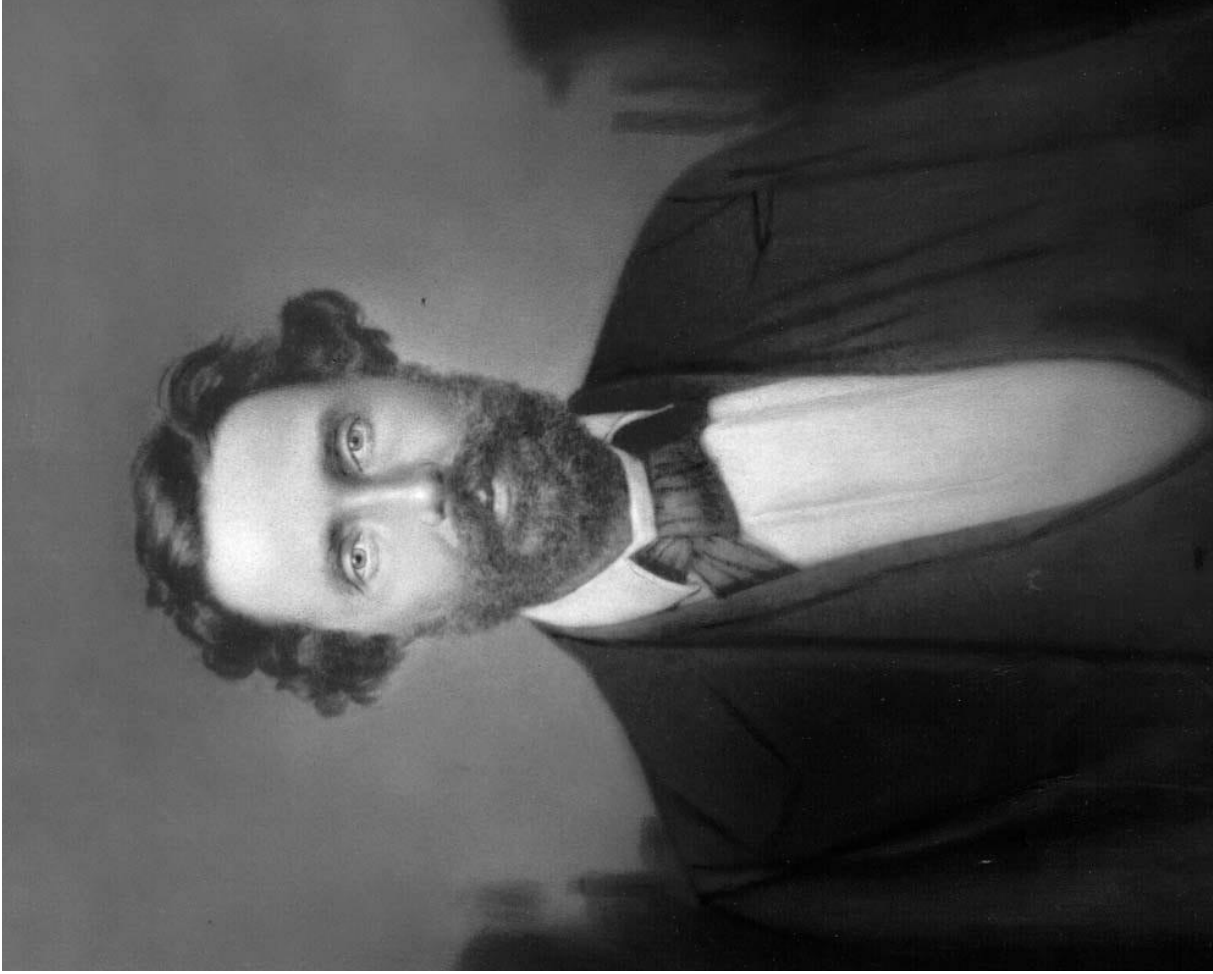


"EMANCIPATION DAY IN SOUTH CAROLINA" — THE COLONEL-REGIMENT OF THE 1st SOUTH CAROLINA (COLORED) VOLUNTEERS ADDRESSING THE REGIMENT, AFTER HAVING BEEN PRESENTED WITH THE STARS AND STRIPES, AT SMITH'S PLANTATION, PORT ROYAL ISLAND, JANUARY 1.—FROM A SKETCH BY OUR SPECIAL ARTIST.—SEE PAGE 275.



1<sup>st</sup> South Carolina Volunteer Infantry





Colonel James Montgomery

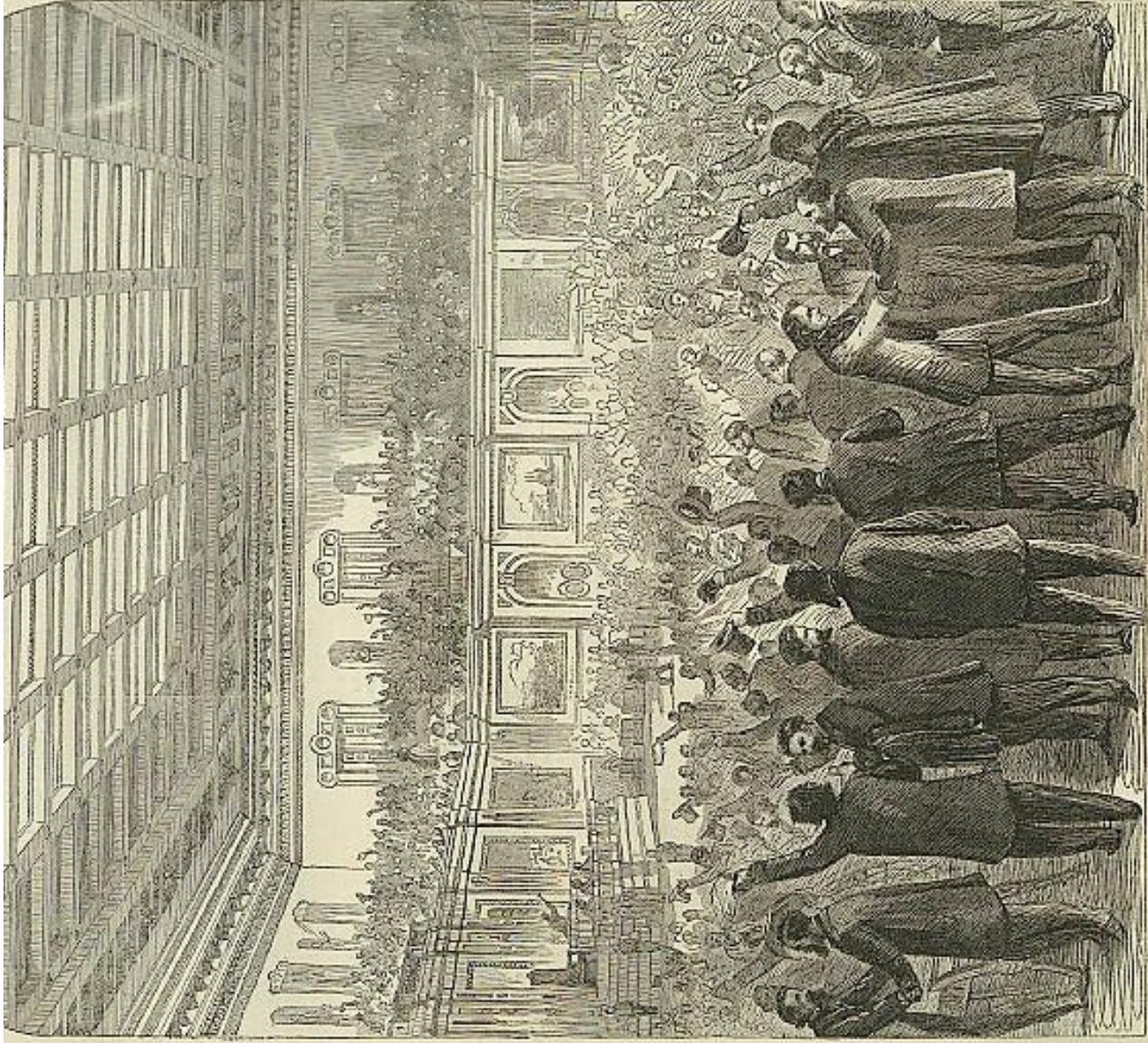


James Montgomery, Harriet Tubman and the 2<sup>nd</sup> South Carolina Volunteer Infantry  
raid plantations, freeing 800 slaves in a single night!



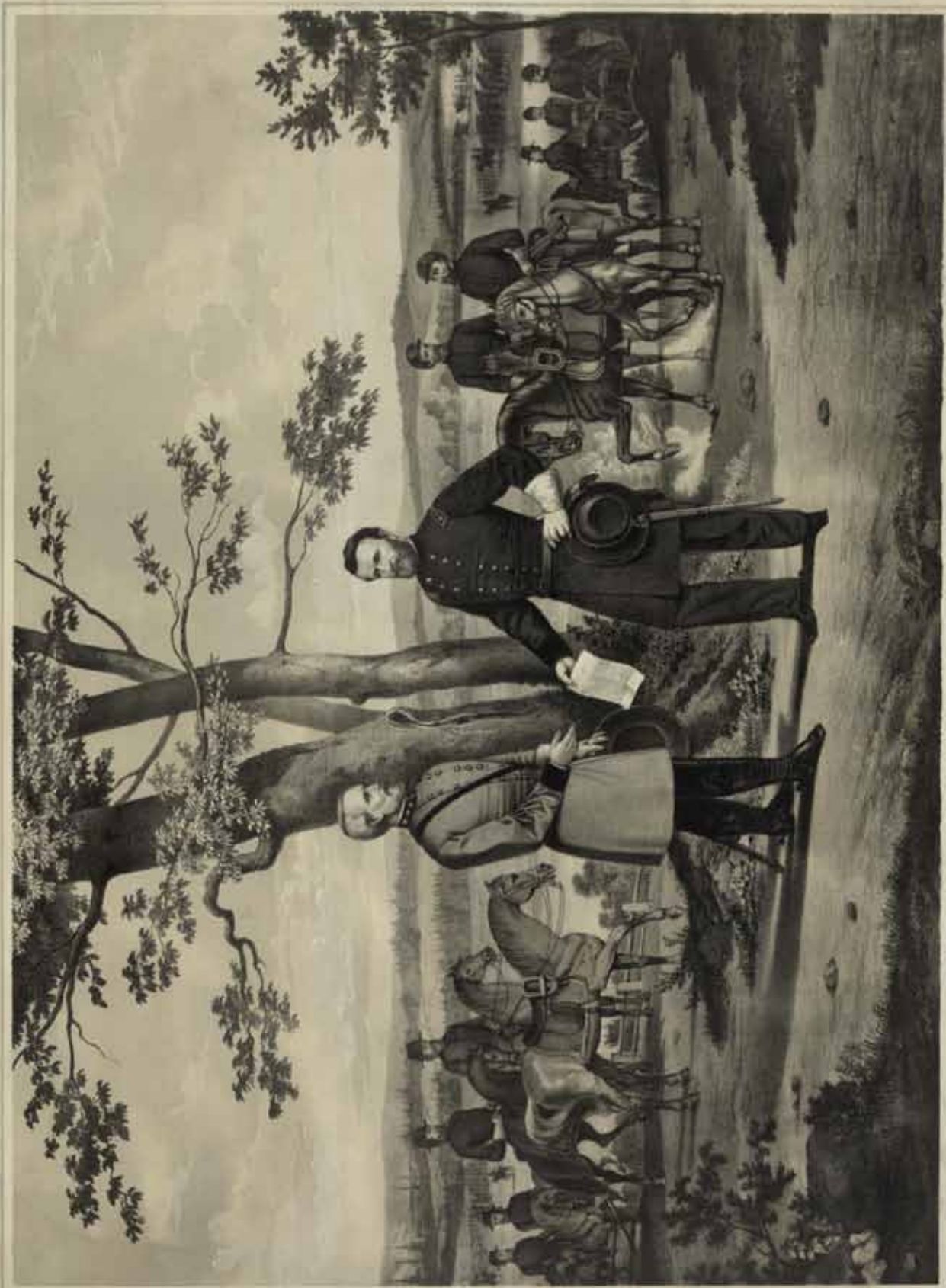
August 19, 1864 The 32<sup>nd</sup> United States Colored Troops begin construction  
Of Fort Howell to protect Mitchellville and the Union Encampment





SCENE IN THE HOUSE ON THE PASSAGE OF THE PROPOSITION TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION, JANUARY 31, 1865

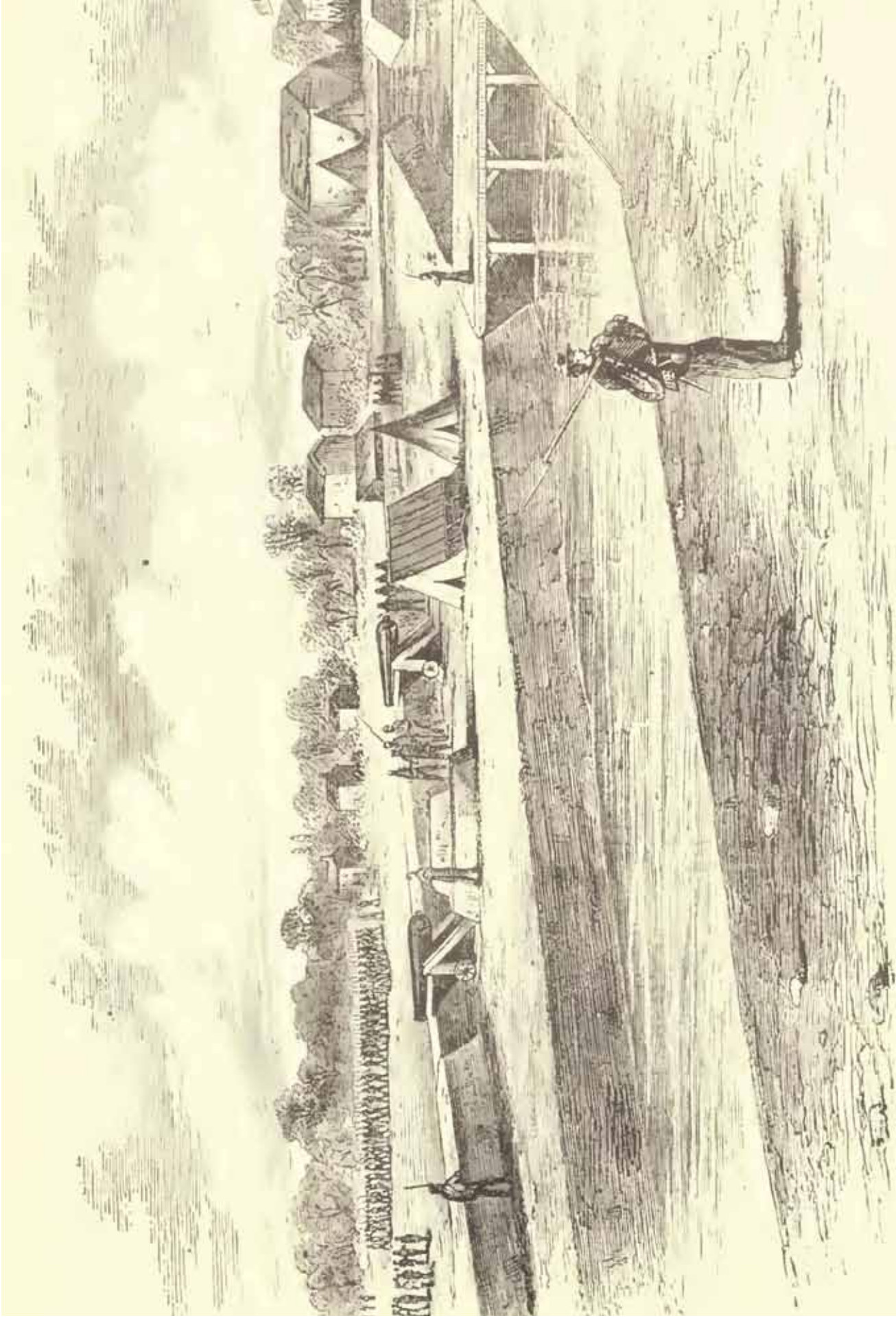
January 31, 1865 The 13<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution is passed by Congress



THE SURVEYOR OF GENERAL LEE

AS HE VISITS THE BATTLE-FIELD OF BATTLE CREEK

THE SCENE WAS REPRODUCED BY THE ARTIST



January 14, 19868      The US Army leaves Hilton Head Island



1986 Archaeologists identify the site of Mitchelville and nominate it for the National Register of Historic Places





2013 Archaeologists identify the former houses, wells and garbage pits of Mitchellville

## SAMPLE ARCHIVAL DOCUMENTS

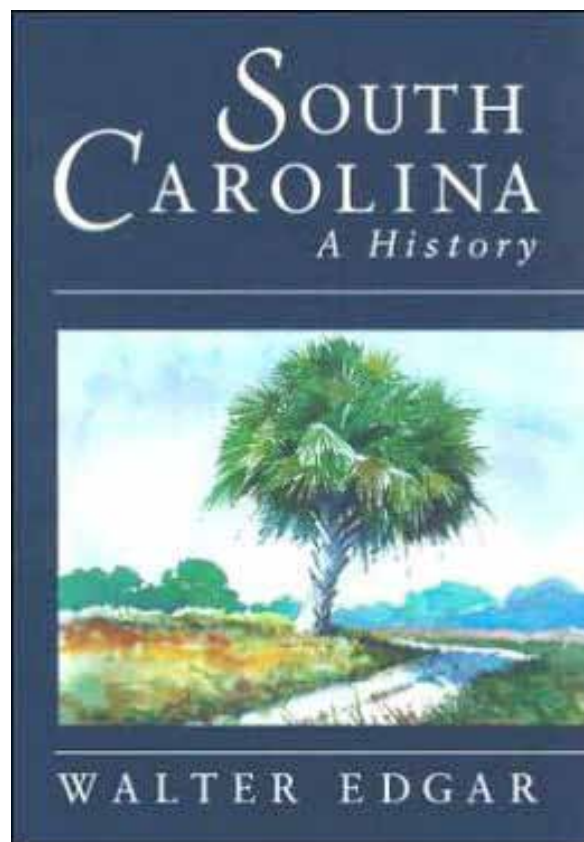
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Executive Mansion  
Washington D. C. Dec. 6 1864

To the Senate of the United States.  
I nominate Salmon P. Chase of  
Ohio, to be Chief Justice of the Supreme Court  
of the United States vice Roger B. Taney deceased.

Abraham Lincoln

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