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Head Quarters Dept. Trans-Miss.

Clothing Bureau,)

SHREVEPORT, LA., SEPT. 11th, 1863.)

In consequence of the scarcity of clothing material throughout this Department, and the disposition on the part of many officers of the Staff Departments to use the products of the Texas Penitentiary without regard to the wants of the troops for clothing, it is announced for the information of all concerned, that hereafter Officers of the Trans-Mississippi Army wishing to purchase at the Texas Penitentiary will first make known their wants at these Head Quarters, through the Office of the Chief of Clothing Bureau, stating especially what disposition is to be made of the material purchased, their inability to procure it elsewhere, and impracticability of using any other article in lieu thereof.

Officers of the Staff Departments are prohibited from purchasing at the Texas Penitentiary without first complying with the terms of this order.

The observance of the foregoing is important in restricting improper uses of the products of this factory, and in order to properly provide clothing for the troops that are most needy.

W. H. HAYNES,

Maj. and Quarter-Master, U. S. A.

Chief Clothing Bureau. Dept. Trans-Miss.

Approved,

By command of

Lieut. Gen'l. SMITH,

W. R. BOGGS,

Brigadier Gen'l. and Chief of Staff.

NOTE.—This will not be published in any newspaper.

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