

buffs, Sambo, and such like names, and he is to be required to black boots, show faces, ^{to do} nor any other such vulgar labor.

4. The Command-in-Chief also orders that the franchise of the negro be abolished, and that he henceforth be taken and deemed to be as accurate as a new blown rose.

5. The Command-in-Chief also orders that the said negro be taken and deemed to have kinky hair, a flat nose, tuck shoes, and long heels.

6. And finally, the Command-in-Chief orders and decrees that the said negro be taken and deemed to be more intelligent, intellectual, refined, vulgar, and brave than the majority of previous vulgar, called white men, and known to be of the abolitionist persuasion.

7. As these General Orders, on behalf the most important and prominent in this Department, they are to be slighted by way of pre-eminence, the "Big Thing on Ice."

8. Maj. Gen. Sherman
Sherman Romy

Edmund Rucker
Command-in-Chief

General Order - No 3.

New Series

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1. It having come to the knowledge of the Command-in-Chief, that a clerical error was ^{inadvertently} made, in transcribing General Order, No 2, New Series, in the name of that distinguished and meritorious officer, Brigadier General Alfred C. Thacker, and inasmuch as great injustice has thereby been done to that brave officer, and inasmuch as great injury may ^{result} ~~be done~~ thereby to the public service, Major General Romy, Commanding the Department of Worcester, is directed forthwith to correct said error, by causing the order to be read at the military post at Mt Ida, and presenting a

copy of the same to the
civil authorities in the de-
partment of Dorchester.

2. The march of civilization,
and the refinement of ideas
which have ^{promoted and} been accomplished
by the indefatigable labors
of those distinguished patriots
and philanthropists, Charles
Sumner, Wendell Phillips,
William Lloyd Garrison, and
their distinguished coadjutors,
renew the imperative that
the ideas heretofore entertained
by mankind with regard
to the negro, be now abandon-
ed and regarded as obsolete.
Therefore, it is decreed and or-
dered, that, now, henceforth,
and forever, the negro be re-
garded as a white man; and
that he be endowed with all
the political and social rights
and privileges of white men;

and that he be taken and deemed
to be, especially, by all abolition-
ists, as good a white man
as the said Charles Sumner
^{or any} ~~and~~ this philanthropic coadju-
tors; and that he be recom-
mended for intermarriage with the
daughters of all abolitionists,
who, doubtless, will be rejoiced
at the promulgation of this
righteous decree. The Comman-
der-in-Chief congratulates the
people of his Department on the
great and beneficent change
in the status of the negro, and
expresses his regret that he
should have been so long
deemed a black man, regard-
ing this great error which has
so long prevailed in the world
as the result of an unfortu-
nate optical illusion.

3. That as a necessary ^{corollary} ~~result~~
of the foregoing decree, the Com-
mander-in-Chief hereby orders
that the negro be no longer called