Headquarters, Department of South Carolina,

CHARLESTON, S.C., March 9th, 1866

General,

I have the honor to transmit herewith sundry copies of newspapers in compliance with orders from Head Quarters, Armies of the United States, dated 17th February, ultimo.

The tone of the "South Carolinian," as will be seen, is habitually disaffected and hostile to the United States Authorities. The article in the "leader," although reprehensible, is exceptional. It is respectfully recommended that if the publication of the "South Carolinian," be stopped, the order should be final. A mere temporary suspension, so far from being a punishment, or a salutary example, has the tendency to increase the patronage of the journal among those disaffected people, and they are numerous, who seize with avidity any indirect and safe means of manifesting their hostility to the United States Authorities.

I respectfully recommend that an adi-
mention be addressed to the "Leader," to the effect that the further publication of that journal will not be permitted, if the contemptuous and disrespectful expressions contained in its issue of 24th July, ultimo, against the Executive, shall be repeated, in reference to any Department of the Government.

I am, General,
Very Respectfully,

[Signature]

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