# Mens of the Week.

#### THE WAR.

No general or important army movement or battle has occurred during the last week Public attention has been centered on Farragut's movement against Mobile and Sheridan's operations in the Shenandoah Valley. Both of these as far as heard from have been very successful. We have had nothing in the way of news from Sherman for some days, except that he is shelling Atlanta. There is nothing important from Grant. important from Grant.

#### ARMY OF THE POTOMAC.

We are not informed as to whether this army is making a new mine or concecting some other scheme to destroy the enemy's works. Since the late unsuccessful assault no important movement has taken place. On the morning of the 9th.

#### A Te rible Explosion

Occured just off City Point, caused by the blowing up of the ordnance boat of the army of the Potomac. By this unfortunate occur-rence, several vessels lying in the river were either shattered or sunk, the government wharf and warehouse were destroyed, a train of cars demolished, two hundred men killed and wounded and two millions of government property destroyed. It is supposed that the reless handling of percussion shells was the cause of the disaster.

#### The First Intimation

Of the accident to those in the vicinity (at least to those who were fortunate to escape more serious injury,) was a stunning concussion, which caused most of them to fall instantly to the ground, accompanied with a sound which some compare to the discharge of a cannon close to each ear, a sound that struck them like a great sea wave, and was felt as well as heard, and simultaneously with this, a perfect hail storm of shot, bullets, timbers, everything conceivable filling the air around them.

#### How it Appeared.

Those who witnessed it from a distance describe it as a spectacle of fearful magnificence. A dense volume of smoke suddenly overspread the locality, with a shapeless cloud from which leaps high into the air a collossal tower of flame with overhanging sides, from whence shoot out numberless interal corruscations, jets of smoke and tongues of fire. Next comes the deafening crash of the report, and then over the water and the land, within the radius of more than a quarter of a mile, is seen the descending shower of de-bris, including projectiles of various kinds, shattered plank and beams of timber, bolts of iron and things innumerable and indescribable, mingled with fragmentary members of mangled human bodies. Soon the smoke clears away and reveals the scene of

Men who were suddenly interrupted in their quiet labors along the wharf, awoke as if from a dream, and were surprised to find themselves living while everything around them was heaved into a chaotic mass.

#### The Wreck.

The immense Government store-house, several hundred feet in length, extending close alongside the wharf, is completely smashed up, with the exception of a small portion at the lower end. A section of the wharf one hundred and fifty feet in length is wrenched from their places. One barge is sunk, and two others blown to pieces. A frame building across the railroad, and the street in which was the Post Office, and the offices of Adams' Express Company and of the Harbor Master, are shattered to pieces, and a house near by, occupied as a sutler's store, is demolished. The tents of various dealers are overturned as if by a hurricane, and their contents promiscuously scattered. And all over the place the ground is thickly strewed with the fragments of the general wreck, among which are found here and there arms, legs, heads, and undistinguishable fragments of human flesh and bone.

#### Official Gazette. The following, in reference to the explosion

is from Secretary Stanton's official Gazette: Washington, Aug. 11, 10 P. M.—To Major-General Dix, New York.—A despatch from Grant, just received, reports the casualties by the explosion at City Point, on the 9th inst., as follows:—Killed—Twelve enlisted men, two citizens, employees, and one civilian, not employed by the Government, and thirty-eight colored laborers. Wounded—Three commissioned officers, four enlisted men, fif-teen civilians employed by the Government, and eighty-six colored laborers. Besides these there were eighteen others wounded, soldiers and citizens not belonging about the wharf. The damage to property was large; but I have not the means of reporting it. The names of the killed and wounded have not been reported to the Department. The cause of the explosion has not been ascertain-

## A movement up the James.

On the afternoon of the 13th, a body of our troops embarked on transports at City Point, and moved up the river during the night; and, under cover of the fire of the gun-boats, had effected a landing near Dutch Gap. The object of this movement is stated to be the dislodgment of a considerable force of the enemy, who had intrenched themselves on the river, and possibly, also, a reconnoisance to ascertain what troops Lee has before Richmond, and if he is sending any considerable reinforcements to Early.

## GENERAL SHERMAN'S ARMY.

There is nothing new from Sherman. What we have is mere details of events that

# transpired some time ago.

An Artillery Duel. On the thirtieth there was an artillery duel between the enemy on the right and the 20th Corps. From occasional firing during the night it opened into volleys at daylight, with sharp musketry, which produced the impression that a serious engagement was progressing on that portion of the line. Later in the day the 1st and 3d Division of Hooker's old corps charged and captured the first line of the Rebel rifle-pits, with 103 prisoners, all Georgia militia, and 134 guns left by the pickets in their flight. Several Rebels were killed in the charge, but our loss was very

In anticipation of an attempt to reestablish their picket line during the night, two regiments were placed in an ambush, so as to give them a warm reception if they should appear. As there was no unusual demonstration during the night, it is probable they did not make the attempt to recover their lost ground. Our advanced pickets are now able to keep the enemy's batteries quiet, where before they have been very annoying to our

## Official Report of the Attack of July 22d:

Major-Gen. Sherman, in transmitting the following official report of Gen. Logan to Gen. Tennessee, Metacomet, Oneida, Itasca, &c., Halleck, says: in against

" Although the number of dead Rebels cems excessive, he is disposed to give full credit to the report: that our loss was only 3.521 in killed, wounded and missing: the enemy's dead alone on the field nearly equaled that number, viz: 3,220:"

HEADQUARTERS DEPARTMENT AND ARMY OF THE TENNESSEE, BEFORE ATLANTA, Ga., July 24, 1864.

General: I have the honor to report the following general summary of the result of the attack of the enemy on this army on the 22d inst: Total loss in killed, wounded and missing, 3,521, and 10 pieces of artillery. We have buried and delivered to the enemy front of the 2d Division of the same Corps, including those on the ground not now occupied by our troops, Gen. Blair reports, will swell the number of their dead on his front to 2,000. The number of their dead, buried in front of the 15th Corps up to this hour, is 360, and the commanding officer reports that at least as many more are yet unburied, burying parties being still at work. The number of dead buried in front of the 16th Corps was 422. We have over 1,000 of their wounded in our hands the larger number of wounded in our hands, the larger number of wounded being carried off during the night, tack was made on our lines seven times, and was seven times repulsed. Hood's and Hay-dee's corps and Wheeler's cavalry engaged us. We have sent to the rear 1,000 prisoners, including 33 commissioned officers of high rank. We still occupy the field, and the troops are in fine spirits. A detailed and full report will be forwarded as soon as completed. RECAPITULATION—Our total loss, 3,521. Enemy's dead thus far reported buried or de-livered to them, 3,220. Total of prisoners sent North, 1,017. Total of prisoners wounded in our hands, 1,000. Estimated loss of the enemy, at least 10,000. Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

JOHN A. LOGAN.
To Major-Gen. W. T. SHERMAN, Major-Gen.
Com'dg Military Division of the Mississippi. Gen. Stoneman's Raid.

Last week we mentioned the fact that Gen. Stoneman had started from the main body of Sherman's army on an expedition towards Macon, Ga. We give the following particulars, furnished by the correspondent of the Cincinnati Commercial. His letter is dated August 3d,

About ten days ago, the cavalry belonging to this army, marching in three columes, under command of Gens. Stoneman, Garrard, and Ed. McCook, left here intending to form a junction at a point, as nearly as I can ascertain, about twenty miles south of Atlanta, and on the Macon Railroad. The column under Gen. McCook, about 2,000 in number, was obliged, starting from the right wing, to cross the Chattahoochee, near the railroad, go round north of the river, and again cross it below where the Rebel cavalry were posted. Everything progressed favorably till after the command had crossed the West Point Railroad; no opposition was encountered worth mentioning, and there was good promise of success. At Fayetteville, or, more exactly, Lovejoy's Station, on the Macon Railroad, Gen. McCook learned that there was encamped a large train of supplies, and he de-termined to capture it. In this he was com-pletely successful. Coming upon it in the dead of night, he took it completely by surprise, and riding through it, distributed his stores for officers, such as wines and choice provisions, were burned, and 300 prisoners were taken while asleep. A large number of these prisoners were commissioned officers; one a Major-General and several Brigadiers. I could learn the names of none of these; but, since they have all been retaken it signifies little.

Late accounts of the capture of General Stoneman and failure, of both expeditions have already been published in our columns.

### FARRAGUT'S ATTACK on the REBEL FLEET IN MOBILE BAY.

a fleet of eighteen war ships passed the rebel forts at the entrance of Mobile Bay, and succeded in destroying all the enemy's fleet, except one ship, and capturing Fort their raiding and look about for a safe re-Gaines, Fort Powell being blown up. The following is the first news of this great naval victory, which reaches us through rebel

WAR DEPARTMENT, Aug. 10, 1864—10.30 p. m. To Major-General Dix, New York:

The following report of the success of our operations at Mobile, extracted from the Richmond Enquirer of this morning, has just

been received by this Department from Major-General Butler.

E. M. STANTON, Sec. of War. "Mobile, Aug. 8.—Friday night Lieut. Colonel Williams, commanding Fort Powell. evacuated, and blew up the fort yesterday, and to day the enemy are shelling Fort Gaines. The people of Mobile are all ready for the fray. Great confidence prevails. The people are satisfied with the conduct of Lieuts. Buchanan, Maury, and Burnet, of the Navy."

## SECOND DISPATCH.

"MOBILE, Aug. 8 .- It is painfully humiliating to announce the shameful surrender of Fort Gaines, at 91 o'clock this morning, by Col. Charles Anderson, of the 21st Alabama Regiment. This powerful work was provisioned for six months, and with a garrison of six hundred men. He communicated with the enemy's fleet by flag of truce. without the sanction of Gen. Page. Gen. Page inquired by signal what his purpose was but received no answer. His attention was attracted by signal guns. Page repeatedly telegraphed: Hold on to your fort. The same night visited Fort Gaines, and found Anderson on board the Yankee fleet arranging the terms of capitulation. He left peremptory orders for Anderson on his return not to surrender the fort, and relieved him of his command. Fort Morgan signaled this morning but no answer was re ceived, except the hoisting of the Yankee flag over the ramparts of Fort Gaines. Anderson's conduct is officially pronounced inexplicable and shameful. The Navy Department received a telegram yesterday morning, announcing that the Morgan, the only gunboat of our fleet that was not either sunk, beached or captured, has succeeded in getting over the bar and reaching Mobile.

The steamer Creole from New Orleans brings the first accounts of the engagement as furnished by Union witnesses of the fight From the numerous statements we condense

Passing the Forts. About eight o'clock on the morning of the 6th the attack commenced, the iron-clads Tecumseh, Manhattan, Winnebago, and Chickasaw leading, closely followed by the wooden vessels Hartford, Monongahela,

eighteen in all, lashed two and two, in the

same manner as when the Port Hudson batteries were passed. The Brooklyn was the first following the Monitors and the Hartford (flagship) second. The Richmond, Lackawana, Ossipee, Monongahela, Oneida, Galena, Port Royal, Metacomet, Octorara, Seminole and Itasca followed. When the fleet was fairly under way the line headed directly for Fort Morgan, the enemy open-ing a terrific fire from Forts Morgan and Gaines, and assisted by the guns from the rebel ram Tennessee and four other vessels at the entrance of the bay.

The remainder of the account we give in the words of Admiral Farragut's official re

Fort Morgan opened on us at ten minutes past seven, and soon after this the action became lively. As we steamed up the main ship channel there was some difficulty ahead and the Hartford passed on ahead of the Brooklyn. At forty minutes past seven the monitor Tecumseh was struck by a torpedo, and sunk, going down rapidly and carrying with her all her officers and crew, with the exception of the pilot and eight or ten men who were saved by a boat that I sent from Than any other article in the market the Metacomet, alongside of me.

The Hartford had passed the forts before eight o'clock, and finding myself waked by after the engagement, by them. We captured 18 stand of colors, and have them now. We also captured 5,000 stand of arms. The atthe rebel gunboats, I ordered the Metacomet half-past eight o'clock, but the rebel ram Tennessee was still, apparently uninjured, in our rear.

Signal was at once made to all the fleet to turn again and attack the ram, not only with guns but with orders to run her down at full speed. The Monongahela was the first that struck her; though she may have injured her badly, yet she did not succeed in disabling her. The Lackawanna also struck her, but ineffectually, and the flagship gave her a severe shock with her bow, and, as she passed, poured her whole port broadside into her—solid 9-inch shot and 13 pounds of powder-at a distance of not more than twelve feet. The iron-clads were closing upon her, and the Hartford and the rest of the fleet were bearing down upon her, when, at 10 A. M., she surrendered.

The rest of the rebel fleet, viz, the Morgan and Gaines, succeeded in getting back under the protection of Fort Morgan. This ter-

minated the action of to-day.

Admiral Buchanan sent his sword, being himself badly wounded with a compound fracture of the leg, which, it is supposed,

will have to be amputated.

Having many of my men wounded, and the Surgeon of the Tennessee being very desirous to have Admiral Buchanan removed to a hospital, I sent a flag of truce to the commanding officer of Fort Morgan, Briga-dier-General Richard L. Page, to say that if he would allow the wounded of the fleet, as well as their own, to be taken to Pensacola, where they could be better cared for than here, I would send out one of our vessels, provided she would be permitted to return, bringing back nothing that she did not take out. General Page consented, and the Metacomet was despatched.

The list of casualities on our part, as far ascertained, are as follows:

Killed Flagship Hartford. Brooklyn..... Lackawanna..... Monongahela. Ossippee.... Galena.....

On the rebely time-Franciscout one hundred and seventy men. On the Selma were taken about ninety

officers and men. Of the officers I have only heard the names of two, viz., Commander Peter H. Murphy and Lieutenant Executive Officer J. H. Comstock, who was I will send a detailed despatch by the

first opportunity. Very respectfully, your obedient servand D. G. FARRAGUT, Bear Admiral,

Commanding Western Gulf Squadron. Hon. Gideon Welles, Secretary of the Navy, Washington, D. C.

# On the 5th inst., Admiral Farragut with THE MIDDLE MILITARY DIVISION.

Since Gen. Sheridan took command of this department formerly commanded by Hunter, the rebels have been compelled to forego treat to the main body of their army. Sheridan is still after them and, if he can come up with them, will no doubt, compel them to fight. Gen. Grant has been up in the valley, no doubt directing affairs, which may in some sense account for the favorable change of the military aspect in that quar-

## Averill's Victory.

Gen. Averill attacked the combined forces of McCausland, Johnson, Gilmore, and Mc-Neil on the morning of the 7th, and after a spirited fight completely routed their entire command, capturing all of their artillery four pieces, a vast quantity of small-arms, 400 horses and equipments, and 420 prisoners, including 6 field and 32 company officers. McCausland, with his broken and demoralized command, has fled to the mountains, Our loss was comparatively small-7 killed and 21 wounded.

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