



The President's Proclamation.

Those who imagined that the President would... from the first of January, 1863, "back down"...

After referring to his proclamation of the 22d Sept., the President proclaims: Now, therefore, I, ABRAHAM LINCOLN, President of the United States...

And I hereby enjoin upon the people so declared to be free, to abstain from all violence, unless in necessary self-defense, and I recommend to them in all cases, when allowed, they labor faithfully...

Exciting News. Elsewhere we publish the telegraphic reports of important movements and battles now in progress...

Capture of Vicksburg. HOLLY SPRING, Miss., Jan. 4.—General Halleck, Commander-in-Chief—Dispatches from Gen. Sherman and the Naval commander were received on the 31st.

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Profane language is abominable. Loud laughing is impolite. Inquisitive ness is offensive. Tatting is mean. Telling lies is contemptible. Slandering is devilish. Ignorance is disgraceful, and laziness is shameful.

Gen. Burnside's Report.

Gen. Burnside has submitted to Gen. Halleck a preliminary report, giving his reasons for his attack upon the enemy at the time and place he did it...

During my preparations for crossing at the place I had first selected, I discovered that the enemy had thrown a large portion of his force down the river and elsewhere...

Now, therefore, I, ABRAHAM LINCOLN, President of the United States, in virtue of the power vested in me as Commander-in-Chief of the Army and Navy of the United States...

I will visit you very soon and give you more definite information, and finally, will send you my detailed report, in which a special acknowledgment will be made of the services of the different Grand Divisions of the Army...

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The Great Battle of Murfreesboro.

NASHVILLE, Jan. 2.—A terrible battle has been fought at Murfreesboro, involving the severest carnage of the war.

The United States forces encountered the Rebels on the 29th ult. near Stewart's creek. After heavy skirmishing on both sides the Rebels were driven back. We captured a hundred prisoners, and killed and wounded a large number.

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A Victory Over Morgan.

LOUISVILLE, Jan. 2.—Col. Hopkins, of the Twelfth Kentucky Regiment, commanding the forces at Lebanon, Ky., attacked the rebels under John Morgan, eight miles south of the Columbia river...

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Army of the Frontier.

A DIFFICULT AND DARING RAID MADE BY THE U. S. FORCES—CAPTURE OF VAN BUREN, ARK.—OFFICIAL REPORT OF GEN. CURTIS—CAPTURE OF THREE STEAMBOATS, 100 PRISONERS, CAMP EQUIPAGE, HORSES, MULES, &c.

Gen. Hutton took with him two batteries without caissons. The artillery and baggage wagons were drawn across the mountains by twelve-horse teams.

At daylight yesterday morning the two commands joined at Leck's Creek, three miles south of the mountains, from whence the cavalry and artillery, numbering 1000 men started for Van Buren, leaving the infantry to follow as fast as possible.

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LINDSEY'S IMPROVED BLOOD SEARCHER.

A SURE CURE FOR CANCER, Cancerous Formations, Scrofula, Cutaneous Diseases, Erysipelas, Boils, Pimples on the Face, Sore Eyes, Tetter Affections, Salt Rheum, Dyspepsia, Constipation, Old and Stubborn Ulcers, Rheumatic Disorders, Jaundice, Salt Rheum, Mercurial Diseases, General Debility, Liver Complaint, Loss of Appetite, Low Spirits, Female Complaints, Epilepsy or Fits, Paralysis or Palsy, Syphilitic Diseases and Caries of the Bones.

Together with all other diseases having their origin in a depraved condition of the blood or circulatory system.

DAVID KINNOY, Pittsburg, Mo., Dec. 31.—The following additional particulars of the raid to Van Buren have been received—

Our army was ten miles this side of Van Buren, yesterday morning, and would have crossed the mountain-top last night, and expected to reach Prairie Grove again to-day.

Another regiment of Missourians left a short time after, taking their arms with them. Two regiments of Texas also stacked their arms and rode to the westward, and were seen in pursuit, but instead of arresting joined the run-aways. Everything goes to show that the Rebel army of trans-Mississippi is completely disorganized.

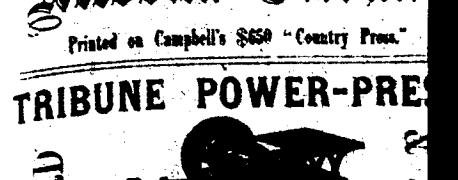
The Arkansas river is at a boiling stage, and the country bordering its banks, from a point twenty-five miles below Van Buren to Little Rock, is well provided with forage and food for an army. Our troops are in splendid spirits, having accomplished the most daring and successful raid without losing a single life.

St. Louis, Dec. 31.—General Hunt telegraphs General Curtis, under date of Van Buren, Ark., December 28th, as follows:—

My long range guns are now shelling the Rebel camps across the river, five miles below here.

Another Important Expedition. PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 3, 1863.—A Press special from Fort Monroe, dated Jan. 1st, says: There has been stirring times here for some days past among the troops and war vessels.

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PRINTING OFFICE.

Printing, within the past two years, made considerable improvements in the way of new machinery, and the result is a more perfect and rapid execution of all printing work than ever before.

Dr. D. R. Good.—Our late townsmen, Dr. D. R. Good, has been for some months past engaged in the service of the Government, as Acting Assistant Surgeon, U. S. Army.

Wrote Found It?—Mr. Dyan, ticket agent of the P. R., at this place, has received a letter from the State Agent for Soldiers' Claims, of the State of Ohio, Mr. J. Phillips, a discharged soldier.

NEW YEAR AND NEW GOODS.—Our first of the "Model Store" opened the new year with an assortment of New Goods for the ladies.

INSURANCE.—We are informed by Mr. J. Shoemaker, of this place, agent of the Lyceum County Mutual Insurance Company, that the Company has promptly settled the losses sustained by our fellow citizens, Thomas McCausland, and John Farrell, Esq., by the recent fire in town.

Our carrier would return thanks to patrons for the very liberal greeting he received on New Year's day. Script is a great institution, and it was no doubt well for carrier boys to quarrel that there was plenty of it in circulation.

Our school-mates. Three school-mates have died!—In the cold grave are laid; In our school the breach is wide; Death's darts could not be stayed.

Take Notice.—Kerr has just received a lot of new entrants, large and smaller, which he sells cheap.