

THE ARMY VOTE AGAIN.

The salutary silent workings of old Time, had almost effaced from our kind recollection, the October and November triumphs, achieved in great part by our brave and scarred veterans who love our flag so well, and who are voluntarily giving their lives for the preservation of our new divided and distracted, but we hope soon, to be united and happy country.

The leaders of the opposition in the various districts of which this county forms a part, Congressional, Judicial and Legislative, felt their inability to successfully conduct the presidential campaign unless they could induce their adherents to believe that they had successfully carried their candidates into the offices for which they were respectively running.

Knowing that the act allowing soldiers to cast their ballots in the field, was comparatively new and intricate, and that their must be errors committed, they determined to avail themselves of all the quibbles and technicalities of the law.

The news from Gen. Thomas concerning the great battle which he opened at Nashville, at 9 o'clock on Thursday morning last, which he carried off victoriously to the close of the week, and which is probably still in progress, is also of a most glorious character. As the result of the three days' operations, he had pressed the enemy from before Nashville, and away down below Franklin, and the number of rebels mentioned in the various dispatches taken prisoners is not short of ten thousand, or a larger number than has been taken in any field engagement in the war, so far as we at present recall.

We think it is evident, from the dispatches of Gen. Sherman and Gen. Hood, that out of Virginia the military power of the Southern Confederacy is now pretty well broken up.

The ST. ALBANS RAIDERS RELEASED.—The *Miner's Journal* says: The public mind of this country was startled this week by the announcement that the Court at Montreal, Canada, before which the St. Albans raiders had been carried has ordered their release, and, accordingly, they have been set free.

But the *Gazette* drops this point after a feeble effort to show that its party-friends should not be made the contestants and proceeds to intimate that there were a great many fraudulent votes cast amongst the Bedford county soldiers. How the soldiers will bear this charge of dishonor and fraud we shall see. It says:

The returns show that about 500 votes were polled in the army, by persons claiming to be citizens of Bedford county. Somerset county, with the same population as our own, polled but about 200, whilst Franklin, with nearly twice the population of Bedford polled but about 300.

Now, we happen to know that the Union county Committee of Bedford county alone had at least 600 soldiers assessed for the October election, and from 750 to 800 in all besides those who were assessed by their friends, and that the names are now in the hands of the committee and if this is not satisfactory, the *Gazette* is well aware that the name of every individual who voted in the army of this county is now on file in the prothonotary's office where it will have but little difficulty in ascertaining whether they are legal or not.

The comparison made between other counties in the district is unfair. Does anybody suppose that Somerset had only 200 and Franklin 300 voters in the army on the 8th of October? If the same efficient effort had been made in those counties that were made by the Union County Committee of this county they would have been a different result.

The effort of the *Gazette* to impugn motives of the Union judges who could not be induced to violate the laws of the Commonwealth which they swear to execute, and at the same time endeavoring to place the responsibility of its rascality upon them, is a rare specimen of sophistry, and calculated to win for it an enviable position among sophists.

A PROSPECTUS of the Harrisburg Telegraph is given in another column. The Telegraph is an enterprising and wide awake paper, and usually contains news a day later than the city papers. It is getting a very large circulation in the interior of the State.

The Late Victories.

The New York Times of Monday, sums up Sherman's and Thomas' victories as follows: Official dispatches are not usually supposed to be a very fascinating or exhilarating kind of literature, but we venture to say that the people of this country never had a more agreeable chapter of history presented to them than will be found in today's bulletin from the War Department.

The Secretary of War puts Sherman's dispatch first in order; but Thomas' stands side by side with it in importance; and certainly the last is not least. Sherman's first sentence reports the capture of Fort McAllister with its garrison; the second the opening of Oostauw Sound and communication with the fleet; and the third the investment of Savannah and the destruction of all the railroads leading to it.

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ONE OF THE RESULTS.—The abolition of Slavery in Maryland is being attended with the good results the friends of Emancipation expected. A steady stream of emigrants from our sister States, particularly Pennsylvania, is pouring in upon us, now that "free labor" has become a settled fact.

Mr. James G. Redden has sold his farm, near town, containing near three hundred acres to Mr. Jacob L. Cook, of Cumberland county, Pa., for \$9,000. It is a healthy and desirable residence.

Mr. Redden has also sold the "Mansion Farm" formerly the residence of the late Wm. Jones, near Andersonstown, to Mr. J. W. Kline, of Cumberland county, Pa., but at what price we have not learned.

Mr. Redden has also sold his Burtsville farm, near the Delaware line, to Mr. Tobias Miller, of Cumberland county Pa., containing one hundred acres, for \$3,500.

We have always understood that the land in Carolina is among the poorest in the State, and believe that the prices above specified are remarkably good.

The CHIEF JUSTICE.—Even the New York World, one of the most bitter opposition organs, commends the appointment of Chief Justice Chase although we think it misrepresents the President, by saying that nothing could have induced him to make the appointment but an intimation from the Senate that it would reject another name sent in for the post.

The CANADIANS FRIGHTENED.—The illegal and hostile act of Judge Coursal of Canada in releasing criminals guilty of assailing the sovereignty of this country at St. Albans, Va., has so far as we are informed upon the Canadian mind by the anger, our people and the remonstrances of our government that the Judge is about to be dismissed, and a special meeting of Parliament summoned.

The WAR FOR THE UNION. OFFICIAL DISPATCH FROM GEN. THOMAS. The Enemy Pressed at All Points in His Line of Retreat—Immense Captures of Guns and Provisions—The Enemy Out-maneuvred and Taken by Surprise.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17—8:35 A. M. Major-General John A. Dix: The following official report of the great victory achieved yesterday by Major-General Thomas and his gallant army over the rebel forces under Gen. Hood in front of Nashville, was received this morning.

The 4th corps crossed the Hontfourth river at Franklin on Sunday morning. Franklin is reported as full of rebel wounded, over 3000 being left there in their retreat. Every church and public building has been taken for hospitals. Nearly all the churches of this city have been appropriated for the use of our wounded.

It is rumored here that Gen. Rousseau's command attacked and routed part of Forrest's force, near Murfreesboro, on the 15th inst. Heavy rains fell yesterday and last night, and the river is rapidly rising. Twelve feet of water is reported on the shoals.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 19. The following order has just been issued: WAR DEPARTMENT, Dec. 19, 1864.—General Orders, No. 301.—Every officer and soldier capable of duty is now wanted in the field, and if not on duty, they are ordered to their respective organizations.

fully driving the enemy, with co-operation of the gunboats under Lieut.-Commander Fitch, from their established batteries on the Cumberland River below the City of Nashville, and of the success of Brig. Gen. Coxton's brigade in governing and returning upright and rear. In the operations of yesterday and to-day, although I have no report of the number of prisoners captured by Johnson's and Croxon's command, I know they have made a large number. I am also glad to be able to state that the number of prisoners captured yesterday greatly exceeded the number reported by telegraph last evening.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Friday, Dec. 16—9 P. M. During last night, Hood withdrew his right from the river, and took a position covering Hillsboro, Grandwhite and Franklin pikes, which line had been carefully prepared for just this contingency.

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CONGRESS.

TUESDAY, Dec. 13. SENATE.—Mr. Sumner reported a bill authorizing the President to transfer one of our gunboats to the Republic of Liberia, that Government to pay for it in ten annual installments.

HOUSE.—Mr. Elliott offered a resolution, which was referred to the Judiciary Committee, declaring that the State of Louisiana may resume political relations with the General Government.

SENATE.—A memorial from the Legislature of Oregon, asking for the establishment of a manufactory of arms in that State, was presented.

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OF THE HOPEWELL OIL COMPANY. Capital—\$200,000. Shares—200,000. Par Value \$1.00. Hon. JOHN ROWE, President. J. SIMPSON AFRICA, Secretary and Treasurer.

The property of this Company consists of 200 acres of land, in fee simple, situated on the west side of the Allegheny river, a short distance above the mouth of Scrub Branch creek, in the township of Township, county, Pa. It has a frontage along the river of one mile, with good boring surface for the whole distance.

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