

We have no war news of importance this week. Last week the rebels advanced to the upper Potomac, destroying two bridges on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, and capturing a large train of supplies, some prisoners, &c. But they have been driven back by Col. Melligan, acting under Gen. Kelly.

THE NATIONAL DEBT.

Does any one wonder the astounding fact that, even should the war end with the coming spring's campaign, our national debt would not be less than three thousand millions of dollars? It may be much more, but cannot be less.

How long would the descendants of our free America submit to such a condition of affairs? There would be no hope of relief. The debt would be still growing larger, as the ordinary expenses would swell this annual sum to perhaps three hundred millions.

But suppose the Union shall not be restored—suppose that after all this ruinous expenditure of treasure, failure to crush rebellion shall be our lot, and the Confederacy shall be established, what then? This is the question. What then? Abolition—another name for swindling—will be the only hope.

We do not say that such will be our fate; but we appeal to every intelligent and unbiassed mind, if such a result is not possible—yes, not altogether improbable. Should Chase's paper-bubble burst before the next six months—as certainly it will before another year—who will say that this picture is overdrawn?

The State Senate.

A special election for a Senator in place of Harry White, a prisoner at Richmond, has been ordered in his district. (Indiana and Armstrong counties) to take place on the 19th inst. The resignation comes through Judge White the father of Harry, is addressed to Speaker Penney, and bears date the 16th of November.

Notwithstanding the fact that the rebellion is gone up, and that the rebel soldiers are deserting by regiments, the "joking philosopher" at Washington, has called for 500,000 men to be drafted on the 15th day of March next. Of course, there will be no commutation offered by our Republican friends, as we have heard it hinted that they are going to volunteer en masse.

FAN IN GOLD.—The State Treasurer paid the interest on the State debt, which fell due on the 1st inst., in gold or its equivalent, as the law requires—thus maintaining the credit, and redeeming the pledged faith of the Commonwealth.

The Huntington (Ind.) Democrat nominates Vallandigham for President.

There is nothing from East Tennessee indicating any important movement. Richmond papers, whilst exulting over the important captures made by Longstreet, and his general success, attribute his failure to capture Knoxville and our whole army there, to the insufficiency of his cavalry.

An important secret expedition is announced as having left, or about to leave Memphis. It is doubtless intended to cooperate with Gen. Banks in his operations in Texas, looking to the securing of the electoral vote of Texas, Arkansas, and Mississippi, under the amnesty proclamation, in time for the next Presidential election.

The bill amendatory of the Confiscation Act of 1862, passed the House of Representatives on Friday last, by a vote of 82 to 74—all the border State men, excepting Anderson and Smith, of Kentucky, voting with the Democrats against the bill.

The adoption of this amendment in its present shape was a complete defeat of the radicals, who sought a total confiscation of all rebel property for all time, unrestricted by the Constitution or anything else.

The steamer D. G. Taylor, loaded with 700 tons of army stores, was entirely destroyed at Louisville on the 5th. Two persons were drowned.

On the 5th inst., Col's pistol factory at Hartford, Ct., was destroyed by fire. Loss over \$500,000.

Five Hundred Thousand More.

The President has ordered that five hundred thousand more of his fellow-citizens (or subjects) shall enter the army—including the 200,000 ordered in October last—and making a total, since the war commenced, of 2,400,000 men—just to do up a little "breakfast job." If they don't volunteer by the tenth of March next, the number then wanting is to be drawn from the wheel. This, one would suppose, would be strange news to those who placed any confidence in the assertions so extensively circulated about a month ago that the "seedtime of the rebellion was broken" that "there would be no more fighting," and that there was nothing more to do than to swear the rebel soldiers under the amnesty proclamation, and to hang their leaders.

There seems to be some difficulty in introducing Mr. Chase's "greenback" currency into California to supplant the native "yellow boys" of that region. A bill is now before the Legislature, for the repeal of the specific contract act, which provides for enforcing the payment of debts in gold where persons contract so to do, so that laborers can collect their wages in gold. A mass meeting, mostly composed of workmen, was held in San Francisco on the 4th instant, to protest against the repeal.

COLORED VOTERS IN LOUISIANA.—Among the passengers from New Orleans, in the steamship Matanzas, at New York, is Ernest Fournier, who has been sent to Washington, by the colored men of New Orleans, to petition the President for permission to let them vote at the approaching election in Louisiana.

THE BEAUTIES OF THE PRESIDENT'S PLAN.—By the President's Plan, every Southern State, in which the Federalists can maintain a military force, may be made to give its electoral vote for the Abolition candidate for President.

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES OF CLEARFIELD COUNTY, PA., FOR A. D. 1863. JOSEPH SHAW, Esq., Treasurer of Clearfield County, in account with said County from the 9th day of January, A. D. 1863, until the 31st day of January, A. D. 1864.

To amount received from Collectors for 1863 and previous years, including percentage, \$11717 04 To amt rec'd from Unsettled Lands, 654 09 To amt rec'd from Commissioners' Books, 201 73 To amt due from last settlement by Trs, 668 65

By election expenses, \$1476 03 By assessors wages, 661 14 By fox and wild-cat probates, 143 83 By justice costs, 35 00

By interest on orders, 1218 74 By lithograph orders, 378 00 By constables' costs, 176 45 By court house contract, 1750 00

By district attorney's fees, 150 37 By prothonotary's fees, 111 99 By sheriff's fees, 154 68 By printing, 379 00

By janitors' fees, 30 00 By jailer's fees, 75 33 By court clerk's fees, 37 25

By draft for new township, 10 00 By commonwealth costs, 555 18 By auditing prothonotary's and register's accounts, 10 00

By printer's salary, 315 00 By western penitentiary, 43 82 By ground for court house, 300 00

By wood and coal contract, 317 31 By repairs, 55 63 By commissioners' wages, 876 34

By clerk's wages, 202 80 By dockets, stat'y & postage, 280 19 By office rent, 71 75

By express and freight, 15 00 By council fees for 1862-63, 260 00 By miscellaneous, 207 67

By merchandise, 117 18 By road views, 288 00 By percentage to collectors, 497 30

By exonerations, 491 95 By percentage paying out, 178 18 By receiving, 203 00

Balance due Shaw, 4 71 \$13136 82 \$13136 82

Amount of County, Bounty, Relief, State and Militia, Taxes, due from Collectors for the year A. D. 1863, and previous years.

Table with columns: YEAR, TOWNSHIP, COLLECTORS NAMES, COUNTY, RELIEF, BOUNTY, STATE, MILITIA. Rows include Jordan, Pike, Covington, Decatur, Penn, Fox, Bell, Huston, Lawrence, Morris, Woodward, Bell, Roggs, Bloom, Bradford, Brady, Burnside, Chest, Covington, Clearfield, Carwensville, Ferguson, Fox, Graham, Galich, Huston, Jordan, Karthaus, Knox, Lawrence, Morris, N. Wash'n, Penn, Pike, Union, Woodward, Robert Henderson.

Aggregate amount of outstanding County orders, \$2783 45 Aggregate amount of outstanding Court house orders, 2401 50

Aggregate amount of outstanding Court house bonds, 16500 00 Amount due Treasurer, Shaw, 4 71 \$2269 66

RELIEF FUND. JOSEPH SHAW, Esq., Treasurer of Clearfield County, in account with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in account with Relief Fund for the year 1863.

To amount received from Collectors for 1863, including percentage, \$1757 21 To amt rec'd from Unsettled Lands, 114 06 To do do do Militia Fund, 1038 15 To do do do Commissioners' Book, 115 09

By amount of Relief orders, \$2268 72 By percentage to Collectors, 145 38 By exonerations, 21 72 By Trs. percentage receiving, 73 75 By do do do paying out, 56 31

Balance due Fund by Trs, 519 45 \$2629 81 \$2629 81

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BOUNTY FUND. JOSEPH SHAW, Esq., Treasurer of Clearfield County, in account with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in account with Bounty Fund for the year '63.

To amount received from Collectors for 1863, including percentage, \$3462 60 To amt rec'd from Unsettled Lands, 231 97

By bounty bonds redeemed, \$2475 00 By interest on bounty bonds, 624 55 By percentage to collectors, 341 18

By exonerations, 59 86 By Trs. percentage paying out, 17 73 \$4083 63 \$4083 63

ROAD FUND. JOSEPH SHAW, Esq., Treasurer of Clearfield County, in account with the different townships for Road tax for the years 1862-3.

To amount due townships from last settlement, \$1516 23 To amount rec'd from Unsettled Lands, 1425 06

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The balance due Treasurer is Four dollars and seventy-one cents.

The amount due the County is Five thousand two hundred and two dollars and eighty-five cents.

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W. S. BRADLEY, Clerk. C. WOODRILL, H. WOODWARD, F. C. J. JERRE, W. S. BRADLEY, Clerk.

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