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The Result of the New York Election.

Speaking of the result of the New York city election, by which Mr. Gunther, independant candidate and Peace Democrat, was elected over Boole, the nominee of the Mozart and Tammany "machines," and over Blunt, the nominee of the Union party, the *N. Y. Tribune*, of Wednesday, says:

What the people are struggling for and blindly groping towards is Municipal rule independent of party. That, Mr. Gunther, is the tide that has borne you to fortune, though you do not think so. With the Mozart or Tammany machine at your back, you stood a good chance to be beaten. The people saw the great machines combined against you, and nearly all the newspapers apparently working with them, and they resolved to show that they could go against the machines and the newspapers. They may be Democrats or Republicans; but they don't want their taxes doubled and trebled to run any party's machines or feed its paupers. On the contrary, three-fourths of them would like to divorce the Municipality from all connection with Federal and State politics if they only could see how. Your election is an attempt by thousands to achieve this end. * * * *

In many aspects, this result will do good. It reduces the power and prestige of machines, and increases the consequence of the individual voter. It will encourage men to think and act for themselves in defiance of clique or party. And, although it will not immediately destroy the power of "The Ring," it shows how it can and will be demolished. So let us go on our way rejoicing.

SENT SOUTH.—Of the citizens of Anne Arundel county (Md.), recently taken to Baltimore on a charge of disloyalty, all but two—Hon. Thomas G. Pratt, ex-Governor of the State, and Colonel Joseph Nicholson—took the oath of allegiance and were released. Messrs. Pratt and Nicholson have been sent to Fortress Monroe to be taken thence into the rebel lines, under orders not to return to the North during the war. The Baltimore *Sun* says: Ex-Governor Pratt was elected Governor of this State in 1844 by the Whig party, and was subsequently chosen a United States Senator by the Maryland Legislature. He served in that capacity on several times a member of the State Senate, and has for thirty years past occupied a prominent political position in this State. Colonel Nicholson was for many years Clerk of the Maryland State Senate, and subsequently a Clerk in the United States Senate. He is well known throughout this State. Each of these gentlemen is over fifty years of age.

WELDED BOILERS.—Instead of riveting the plates of steam boilers, efforts are now being made to weld the plates, thus to produce boilers free from joints. The method to effect this is to heat the edges of the plates to a welding heat with gas flame, and hammer them together. A small cornish boiler has been finished by this method. In forming the deck beams of the iron frigate Warrior, the webs of two T irons were joined together by a bar of H section called a glut, which, with the edges to be welded, was raised to a welding heat by jets of gas flame; the whole was then welded together, uniting the angle irons and deck beams into solid forgings, instead of bolting or riveting them together. In the building of iron vessels this system deserves universal attention.

WESTERN ARKANSAS AND THE INDIAN TERRITORY.—Affairs are quiet in Western Arkansas and the Indian Territory. The Leaven worth *Conservatives* has advices from Fort. Gibson to the 14th of November, when under orders from Gen. McNeill, all the white troops left Fort Gibson on the 14th inst., for Fort Smith. They consisted of the Kansas Sixth, part of the Kansas Twelfth, and Hopkins' Kansas Battery. Col. John Ritchie is in command at Fort Gibson, and gives universal satisfaction. He has three Indian regiments in his brigade. This is the whole of the loyal force now in the Indian Territory. Col. Cloud is doing gallant service in scouting the country below Fort Smith. The rebel Cooper is driven beyond Red river, and Quantrell and Shelby are in Texas.

THE New York *Herald* says that the Czar of Russia has directed Baron Stoeckel, his Minister at Washington, to invite our President, his Cabinet and the *corps diplomatique* to a grand *dejeuner*, which is to be given on board of the Russian frigate which sailed yesterday for Washington. The Czar ordered that the affair be gotten up in grand style, and to carry out this design the TRIMMINGS, DRESS and DRY GOODS, of every description, Nos. 17 and 19 Fifth street, Pittsburgh.

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"HISTORICUS," who has written so ably in the *Times* relative to international rights, is Dr. Moseley, the author of "The History of the Lowlands."

VICTOR EMANUEL, King of Italy, has had an attack of delirium tremens.

EVENING GAZETTE TELEGRAMS.

FAILURE OF MEADE'S CAMPAIGN.

A THOUSAND MEN LOST IN THE RETREAT.

Rebel Papers on the Situation.

LONGSTREET RETREATING FROM BEFORE KNOXVILLE.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 2, 1863.

The old story! The Army of the Potomac is back again on the old stamping ground, weary and worn, though. Two to one the enemy were posted on Mine River stream. There are ten feet water and five feet mud and marsh on the border. The ground on either side of the western slope was fortified by the enemy, with abatis and felled trees. The position is stronger than Fredericksburg. The First and Third corps bridged the stream. Gen. Warren was to have attacked and turned the enemy's right wing. The Fifth and Sixth, under Sykes and Sedgwick, were to attack his left, while the Third and First were to make a demonstration upon his centre. The reserves of artillery had all been brought forward and positioned ready for action, but for some reason, Gen. Warren failed to connect, and night found our forces drawn up in line of battle. A change was then made in the programme.

Gen. Warren did not deem his force adequate to the task of turning the enemy's right. He was still reinforced by two divisions of the third army corps, under Gens. Carr and Prince, while Birney, with his division of the same corps, was to support the artillery.

We lost a thousand men in the retreat.

There is little probability now of another movement before spring.

Lee avoided an engagement, knowing our supplies must give out if the hour of conflict was contracted.

The Richmond papers state exactly how many days' rations our troops took with them when they cut off from their base of supplies, on making the advance movement from the Rapidan.

Rebel dispatches from Atlanta state that the rebel loss at Chattanooga is not a thousand, while the enemy lost twenty thousand.

The Richmond papers clamor for the removal of General Bragg, though Jeff Davis holds him in favor.

The doubtful position of Longstreet, and the despondency of the Southern people, are not denied by the rebel journals.

The reports that Longstreet is retreating from before Knoxville towards Virginia is confirmed this morning.

The Richmond *Enquirer* says: After three years of war, that no officer but Gen. Bragg in the Southwest retains the confidence of the President, alarms the public, and unless this impression is speedily removed, will engender despair. Gen. Pemberton's disaster at Vicksburg nearly broke the public heart.

Gold this morning is quoted at 49c.

The Richmond *Dispatch* says: The defeat of Gen. Bragg, which has long been foreseen, has taken place. As far as we can learn, nobody was surprised. W. J. J.

Important from Meade's Army.

THE WHOLE ARMY AGAIN NORTH OF THE RAPIDAN!

The Enemy's Position too Strong to Carry by Assault.

THE RETREAT COMMENCED ON TUESDAY.

LEE REPORTED REINFORCED BY LONGSTREET.

Details of Operations on Sunday.

THE CAMPAIGN IN VIRGINIA CLOSED.

Probable Removal of General Meade.

GENS SEDWGICK AND HOOKER NAMED AS MEADE'S SUCCESSOR

BRUTAL MURDER BY GUERRILLAS.

&c., &c., &c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—A special dispatch to the *Tribune* from Washington, dated December 2d, says: The Army of the Potomac tonight encamps on the grounds it left on the morning of Thanksgiving. The reasons for this sudden change of programme, without forcing Lee to a general battle, are these: A council of war was held on Monday night, and the facts demonstrated that the enemy was entrenched behind very formidable earthworks, which they were every moment strengthening. The fearful loss it would entail upon us, and the impossibility of succoring our wounded before they would perish with cold, in case we attempted to carry the rebel works by assault, were some of the considerations which induced this action. Besides, even rations and forage had nearly run out, and the roads were too bad to allow further transportation from our distant base of supplies.

Those weighty considerations, it is claimed, induced the Commander to issue an order to fall back.

To-night the Army of the Potomac rests on its old base on the line of the Orange and Alexandria Railroad.

As late as 10 o'clock yesterday, we rode a circuit in front of our most advance artillery position. We could look over into the rebel works and see Lee's greybacks, digging away with wonderful activity. Their guns are all mounted, and fronting at us.

Rumors are rife in camp that Longstreet had reinforced Lee, and we were falling back on Fredericksburg, but I could trace them to no trustworthy source till about 9 o'clock P. M., when all fell back, crossing the Rapidan by Germania and Culpepper fords.

Our total losses in missing and wounded are 530 and 60 killed. Our wounded suffered extremely in their ambulances on rough roads, and by severe cold, while lying in wagons last night, and as they must again to-night.

A special train has already been dispatched up the road to bring down the disabled men.

The railroad track and telegraph wires remained as we left them, uninjured. Our main army left the front about midnight on Tuesday night, and its advance could be seen approaching Brandy Station at four o'clock this morning.

A party of five rebel cavalrymen came dashing up to the west bank of the Rapidan, after our bridges were up. They were greeted with shell and vanished.

But one train per day now runs upon the railroad, and that at night.

The guerrillas charged with shooting one of our men, came in on to-night's train from Catlett's Station.

On Sunday night some guerrillas rushed into a tent of the 100th Pennsylvania, on picket near Licking Run, and captured five of them.

Yesterday morning three guerrillas caught a private of the 142d Penn's while guarding the railroad near Catlett's Station, stripped him of every vestige of clothing and shot him dead with his own gun. The guerrillas brought down [illegible] are suspected of having some connection with this brutal murder.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The *World's* Washington special says: The campaign in Virginia is ended, and all forward movement on the part of the Army of the Potomac has ceased. Our forces have already nearly completed their return to their old base, along the Orange & Alexandria Railroad, at Culpepper, Brandy Station and Rappahannock Bridge.

The retrograde movement commenced on Tuesday.

It is said in Washington that the failure to carry out the plans of the War Department, involves the loss of General Meade's position as commander of the Army of the Potomac.

The reasons given for the abandonment of the campaign are, that Lee has so intrenched himself, as to delay any rapid advanceon our part, and at the same time to prevent an attack.

Our army fell back in a safe and orderly manner, the enemy being ignorant of our intentions.

Gens. Sedgwick and Hooker are prominently named for Gen. Meade's successor, if any change is made.

The *Herald's* specials also state that the condition of the roads, and the want of supplies induced Meade to fall back to Brandy Station, which is now made his base of supplies, trains laden with provisions rapidly reaching that point from Alexandria.

Our army, after the check administered to Gen. Warren at Mine Run, on Monday, fell back to the Rapidan, and crossed the river in safety at night.

The *Herald* has the following:

Mine river is a stream ten feet in width but very shallow, if we judge by the depth o clear water. But it is very deep when we count the mud at its bottom. At its sides entering several rods back, is a low marsh, miry and reed-grown from the edges of the marsh. The land rises gradually to the height of perhaps one hundred feet. Half a mile back from the right shore those slopes open, and in many places are cultivated patches of young pines, which extend back to the dense woods, and which crown the summits of the hills. The enemy had fortified the western slope by strong earthworks at its extreme front of which felled trees and brush formed an impenetrable abattis. They had also dug a succession of pits, half way up the slope, and within easy range of the creek, and another series of the same style of defence at the commencement of the abattis. His line of defenses extended from Clark's mountain south of the plank road to the mouth of the stream, and was fully supported by artillery, and was in fact sold by military men to be a stronger position than he held at Fredericksburg.

A *Tribune* special says: On Sunday morning General Warren, of the 2d Corps, with the 3d Division of the 6th Corps, moved down on the Fredericksburg plank road, which runs parallel with the Orange pike, and about three miles from it, and proceeded for a mile, when he encountered the enemy's skirmishers, who were driven a mile and a half to the west. The enemy then opened with artillery on the 2d Division of the 2d Corps, from some temporary works on a hill, half a mile south of the unfinished railroad, but were soon driven out, and the Corps rested for the night, with the intention of charging and flanking the rebels in the morning.

Early yesterday morning, Gen. Warren requested his commanders to inform their men of the nature of the task before them, and to exhort them to make a gallant assault upon the enemy's works in their front, which had been thrown up during the night. He then made a personal inspection of the works, and for an hour and a half he hesitated to act. After an hour's commanding, he was to make a grand charge, and the men were instructed to reserve their fire till they entered the rebel works. No charge was made on the left.

After thirty a. m. General Meade came down from the left, and was for a long time engaged in earnest conversation with Gen. Warren. Gen. Meade seemed to be admonishing a rebuke to Warren.

Gounterfeiters arrested—The Capture of 5,000 Rebels Not Confirmed—Cattle Barred into Grant's Movements—Contraband—Gen. Bragg Reported Reinforced, &c.

CINCINNATI, December 3.—Eight persons have been arrested so far for passing counterfeit twenty dollar Treasury notes.

About 1,500 bales of Government cotton arrived here yesterday, to be sold at auction on the 14th inst.

A dispatch received from Gen. Foster's chief of staff, dated Cumberland Gap, Dec. 1st, says all is nothing relative to the capture of 5,000 prisoners at Knoxville.

Memphis advices of the 30th, say that the steamer Black Hawk was fired into by guerrillas near the mouth of the river, and several on board wounded. The boat put back to New Orleans.

Chattanooga dispatches of the 30th says: The movements of the army is contraband. The hospitals are full of wounded from both armies.

Refugees and deserters reports that Gen. Bragg has been reinforced near Dalton, by Joe Johnston.

Nothing later from Knoxville.

The Position of the Enemy in Kansas.

FORT SMITH, December 2.—General McNiel has reliable information that the enemy is stretched along Little Misouri river. The right under Price, near Washington; the centre, under Marmaduke in the vicinity of Murfreesboro, and the left, under Cabal, at Jaddo Gap. Thus, it is thought, they are preparing for an attack on Fort Smith or Little Rock. Cooper is in Red River Valley, and Stunwait is in the Creek Nation. Their total forces are estimated at 22,000, but there is no doubt but that it is exaggerated.

Gen. Blunt is here.

Removal of Gen. Meade Rumored---General Thomas' Late Operations.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—Specials to the *Tribune* from Washington, of the 2d, say: The rumor that the Government is considering the propriety of relieving Meade gains strength and currency.

The statement telegraphed from Washington and Cincinnati that Gen. Thomas had telegraphed to the President that in his late operations he acted in accordance with the plans matured by Rosecrans before his removal, is authoritatively pronounced false.

Longstreet's Retreat—Siege of Knoxville Raised.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The *World's* special dispatch from Washington, dated Dec. 2d, says: It is understood the government has advices of Longstreet's retreat toward Bristol, Tennessee, from which place there is a railroad communication to Richmond. It is certain that the siege of Knoxville is raised, and the rebel line of retreat is the only one open to them.

From Mexico.

NEW YORK, Dec. 3.—The steamer Parksburg has arrived from New Orleans, with dates to Nov. 23d.

The *Era* has a report, via Vera Cruz, to November 3d, one week later than those via New Orleans, which contain nothing of the reported capture of Puebla. It was even stated that Juares was about to retreat to San Luis Potosi.

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Benefit of the equestrian artiste, R. E. J. MILES, on which occasion he will appear in two great pieces. Three horses to