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Mr. Greeley and Mr. Phillips.

In giving a report of Mr. Wendell Phillips's recent speech on the Proclamation of the President at the Cooper Institute, New York, we omitted a few passages that were not necessarily connected with the main subject—one of which was what we thought a very unjust attack on Secretary Chase. That passage, however, was the point of some remarks by Mr. Greeley, of the N. Y. *Tribune*, which, as we find them reported in full in Thursday's *Tribune*, are worthy for their own sake of being laid before our readers. We copy the introductory remarks of the *Tribune*, as well as Mr. Greeley's speech:

Some hasty, unpremeditated remarks by the editor of the *Tribune*, at the close of Mr. Wendell Phillips's lecture on Tuesday evening, having been deemed worthy of partial reproduction in the columns of several of our contemporaries, with comments which give them a special and unintended significance, the reasons for excluding them from our own report of that meeting are overruled, and they will be given below.

Mr. Phillips, it will be noted, had, with zeal which seems to us not according to knowledge, seen fit to talk of a majority of the Justices of the U. S. Supreme Court as Secessionists, and to assume that they would be governed, in any adjudication they may be called to make on the President's Proclamation of Freedom and the kindred acts of Congress, by old-time devotion to the Slave Power. Now at the time of appointment of Justices Catron and Wayne, whose proper homes are in Tennessee and Georgia respectively, and neither know nor have sought to know anything of their opinions on the vital point in question. We do know, however, that they have never been considered natural fools, and that, when they broke with the preponderant force in their respective States, they did what they thought and proved to be the wisest thing they could under the circumstances. Almost simultaneously with it appears the proclamation of the President offering to the people of the States now in rebellion an amnesty upon certain conditions which he has thought fit to prescribe.

Measures have already been taken to carry out the plans of our church. Bishop Ames, at last accounts, was at St. Louis, preparing to start upon his tour down the Mississippi. Bishop Simpson will soon proceed to Tennessee. A prominent and popular Methodist minister, now stationed in New York city, has been designated for the city of New Orleans; and though the appointment demands of him not a little sacrifice, his acceptance is nevertheless hoped for. An order has been given by the Secretary of War permitting the occupation of deserted churches within our lines for the use of Methodist Episcopal religious services. No question of ownership or possession are to be raised; these can be determined only when the several States are brought back to their allegiance and civil rule is once more established over their people.

Many facts in the condition of the Southern States encourage the hope of the return of the vast majority of the Methodists in the South to the old church—the church of Asbury and McKendree, from which many of them separated with the greatest reluctance.

The Colored Soldiers Under General Birney.

A Washington correspondent of the N. Y. *Tribune* writes:

The cases at Benedict, on the Patuxent, St. Mary's county, Md., under command of Col. Wm. Birney, yesterday promoted to a Brigadier-Generalship, his commission to date from Sept. 23, 1863, contains 2,490 soldiers comprising the 4th, 7th, 9th and 19th Regiments. The three former are full regiments, but of the latter only four companies have yet been raised. Gen. Birney, however, is rapidly procuring recruits with his four steamboats, with which he pays frequent visits to adjacent plantations. He has raised, beside the above named, the 1st and 2d Colored Infantry, and has enlisted since the beginning of the war 3,110 slaves, the residue being free negroes. Gen. Birney says the chief obstacle in the way of his operations is the circumstance that married slaves who enlist are obliged to leave their wives and children in the hands of masters who are sure to maltreat them in revenge for the loss of the husband and father. Scores and hundreds of such have come to the camp offering to enlist if they could take their wives and children with them, or could be assured that they would be safe and well cared for during their absence. A law declaring the freedom of the wife and children of every slave who shall enlist in the service of his country, would, in the opinion of Gen. Birney, do more to stimulate volunteering from this class of the population than any other provision of the law except one putting them on the same footing with white soldiers as regards pay and emoluments.

The Vanderbilt at Work.

The N. Y. *Tribune* of Friday says:—The bark Saxon, of Capetown, Cape of Good Hope, arrived at this port on Tuesday evening, from Angre Pequina, West Coast of Africa, in charge of Acting Master S. S. Keyser, of the United States steamer Vanderbilt. The Saxon was captured by the Vanderbilt on the 29th of October, at the above place, about four hundred miles north of the Cape of Good Hope. She has on board part of the cargo of the bark Conrad, which vessel was captured by the privateer Alabama, and afterwards converted into the privateer Tuscaloosa. The cargo is principally wool. The Saxon was formerly the American bark Lucy Johnson, of New London, but was wrecked at Table Bay, and was subsequently purchased by Messrs. Anderson & Salton, of Capetown. She is about 250 tons burden. The Vanderbilt also found at Penguin Island 200 tons of coal, which had been left there for the benefit of the privateers. It was confiscated by the Captain of the Vanderbilt. All on board the Vanderbilt were well.

The Efficiency of the Colored Troops.

HEADQUARTERS 10TH ARMY CORPS, MEMPHIS, TENN., Dec. 17, 1863.

General Orders, No. 173.

The recent affair at Mosow, Tennessee, has demonstrated the fact that colored troops properly disciplined and commanded, can and will fight well, and the General-commanding Corps deems it to be due to the officers and men of the 2d regiment West Tennessee Infantry of African descent, thus publicly to return his personal thanks for their gallant and successful defense of the important position to which they had been assigned, and for the manner in which they have vindicated the wisdom of the Government in elevating the rank and file of these regiments to the position of freemen and soldiers.

By order of GEN. S. A. HURLBUT.
T. H. HARRIS, Assistant Adj't Gen.

A VERY SINGULAR RESTORATION OF SPEECH.—About four months ago a soldier by the name of George Lucas, who belonged to the 12th Virginia Infantry, and who resides in Harrison county, was attacked with a violent fever, which it was thought would result in his death. The soldier, however, partially recovered, but with the loss of all power of speech. He had not spoken a word for more than three months, until one day he was coming west on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, in company with a relative who had gone to fetch him home. Near Grafton, the cars ran off the track with a great shock. Lucas jumped out of a car window upon the ground, and as he did so yelled lustily to his relative to look out for the baggage. Since that time Lucas has been able, to the surprise of his friends, to speak as well as ever.—*Wheeling Intelligencer.*

THE U. S. steam frigate Niagara arrived at New York on Wednesday morning, from a short cruise along the eastern coast in search of the Chesapeake. She left the Harbor of Gloucester on Dec. 11, and visited Fubneco, La Have, and many other Nova Scotia harbors, and arrived at Halifax on Dec. 19, at which place the Chesapeake was found, as also several of our Government vessels. At all places visited in Nova Scotia, especially in Halifax, the inhabitants were strongly Secesh, and the most violent epithets were lavished on the "Yankee" crew. "There's a good time coming."

A Captivity Among the Arkansas Rebels.

The Memphis *Bulletin* of the 22d, has the following:

"One of our best known citizens, Dr. D. M. Dickinson, lately went down the river for the purpose of transacting some business in Chicot county, near Luna Landing, Ark., within the Federal lines. While stopping at the house of one Sanders, he was taken in the dead of the night by Captain James Bowie, a nephew of Col. Bowie, of Natchez, who was killed at the Alamo, Texas, and the man who gave his name to the formidable knife, with which all are familiar. Bowie and his men took the doctor to their camp near Granville, Barker's. They robbed him of everything he had except some clothing he had upon his person, taking some $400 in greenbacks, his watch, hat, cravat, shoes, blanket, saddle-bags, his change of clothing and even his tooth brush and pipe. He was then taken to Walworth's plantation where his captors were joined by two companies under Captains Hawley and Burke. From this last camp he was carried to Monticello, Arkansas, where he was tried and discharged, as no definite charge could be sustained against him. He was treated with the greatest courtesy and kindness after he fell into the hands of Burke. The latter encouraged as far as was in his power, to recover for him the different articles that had been pilfered by the needy wretches of Bowie's company. The privates of this command were very poorly clad, and armed exclusively with double barreled shot guns. Occasionally one was seen with a small Colt's revolver. None had sabers. There was a great plenty of food, such as it was, in the country, and meat and flour in abundance, but no groceries. Salt was being obtained in sufficient quantities from the springs of Saline river.

The Doctor was ordered to be sent to Gen. Fagan, who commanded State troops, and had his headquarters at Camden, but it was ascertained that Hagan had moved to Tulip, Dallas county, and was advancing on Little Rock, so he was not sent. Parson's brigade was near Elba, on Saline river. Gen Hollins was about to be relieved by Gen. Leonidas Polk. Kirby Smith was to take the field. He was at that time nineteen miles south of Camden. His headquarters, however, were at Washington, Hampstead county, on Red river. The Doctor gathered from what he heard, that the armies were advancing on Little Rock and Pine Bluff, but could not tell whether they really intended to fight, or whether it was a mere feint. The Doctor was released from confinement on Saturday the 12th, and arrived home on Sunday, the 20th. He took away with him a large sum of money, but he took the precaution to sew the bills into the belt, fearing it with a friend before he was captured. This sum he recovered on his return.

The Methodist Bishops in the South.

The *Methodist* of this week says:

The recent appropriation of thirty-five thousand dollars for the relief of our work in the far South is likely to be followed by important consequences. Almost simultaneously with it appears the proclamation of the President offering to the people of the States now in rebellion an amnesty upon certain conditions which he has thought fit to prescribe.

Measures have already been taken to carry out the plans of our church. Bishop Ames, at last accounts, was at St. Louis, preparing to start upon his tour down the Mississippi. Bishop Simpson will soon proceed to Tennessee. A prominent and popular Methodist minister, now stationed in New York city, has been designated for the city of New Orleans; and though the appointment demands of him not a little sacrifice, his acceptance is nevertheless hoped for. An order has been given by the Secretary of War permitting the occupation of deserted churches within our lines for the use of Methodist Episcopal religious services. No question of ownership or possession are to be raised; these can be determined only when the several States are brought back to their allegiance and civil rule is once more established over their people.

Many facts in the condition of the Southern States encourage the hope of the return of the vast majority of Methodists in the South to the old church—the church of Asbury and McKendree, from which many of them separated with the greatest reluctance.

McClellan's Report.

Speaking of the last "paragraph, or peroration, or epilogue" of Gen. McClellan's tremendous Report, which appeared in our dispatches a day or two ago, the N. Y. *Tribune* makes the following remarks: It bears internal evidence of being Gen. McClellan's own composition, for it has the personal pronoun I eleven times, with the garnishing of *me*, *my* and *myself*, thrown in here and there to round the periods. What he says of the bravery of the Army of the Potomac will be generally agreed to, in spite of his I's; but his apology for not following Lee after Antietam—which, by the way, is the old story about want of shoes—may not be so well received.

ENLISTMENT OF COLORED TROOPS IN TENNESSEE.—A Nashville dispatch of the 14th inst., says: "The enlistment of colored troops progresses rapidly. Efforts being made for permission from the War Department to enlist colored batteries."

Destitution in Mississippi.

The Memphis *Journal* of the evening of the 22d says: A gentleman from the neighborhood of Cogswell, in Hammond county, states that there are quite a number of families of rebel soldiers in the neighborhood, who must suffer if not relieved. Where relief can come from is more than any one is willing to say. The people are all being placed upon an equality as regards supplies. Notwithstanding the extreme destitution of the people, a force of rebel cavalry numbering three hundred, are stationed at that place subsisting on the scanty allowance of the inhabitants. The best families could not afford any better meal than bread without salt, and pork partly preserved in ashes. Forrest is levying contributions of provisions and forage from all parts of the country.

A barrel of salt would easily command one hundred dollars in the city of Jackson. It will be entirely impossible for any one to cure any bacon this season, unless they can procure salt, which is impossible.

From Arkansas.

Little Rock news of the 12th inst., has the following: Colonel McNeil, sent some days ago in pursuit of the rebel force, south, encountered the enemy, 600 strong, two miles beyond Princeton, and killed eight of them, wounded eighteen and took prisoners three commissioned officers and twenty-five privates. The aggregate loss of the enemy was fifty.

A forage party was sent by General Davidson in the rear. Merrill's advance captured 140 beef cattle, marked C. S. A. The rebels are all driven beyond the Ouachita. Merrill was within fourteen miles of land. In the pursuit by our troops, the loss was one man badly wounded. Gen. Chalmers is ordered east of the Mississippi river. Col. Clayton sends dispatches from Pine Bluff, announcing the capture, near that place, of one lieutenant and seven men, from Ottay's band.

A FRANK CONFESSION.—The New York *Herald*, which for a week past has been running General Grant for the Presidency, says of President Lincoln:

"We abandon 'Honest Old Abe' as a hopeless case. We have puffed him, we have prayed him, we have helped him in every way but can get no good out of him. To use one of his own homely similes, he is a crooked stick that cannot be bent, and that will have to be broken."

Which means that President Lincoln is the only Chief Magistrate for many years past who would not throw a sop to the *Herald*.—*Boston Journal*

A REPENTANT REBEL IN TENNESSEE.—A Nashville dispatch says: E. H. Ewing, for many years at the head of the Nashville Bar, and subsequently an active and influential orator in the rebellion, has written a letter to relatives in this city, expressing his desire to return to his allegiance under the President's proposition, and advising all his friends to pursue the same course.

EVENING GAZETTE TELEGRAMS.

FAMOUS BLOCKADE RUNNER CAPTURED.

Terrible State of Things in Rebeldom

THE REBELS ABANDONED BY THE INDIANS.

EFFORTS TO RAISE THE WERHAWKEN.

More of the Rebel Governor of Texas.

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Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 26, 1863.

The old and famous blockade running iron steamer Cheatham, with a cargo worth $1,00,000, was taken by the Huron, in the vicinity of Dobay Sound, Ga. The Captain and crew tell terrible accounts of the state of things in Terrordom. They say that whole companies would desert if they could. The rebel soldiers are daily coming off to the ship after days and nights of fearful sufferings, exposed to the marshes and fear of being caught and shot as unpardonable traitors. The Cheatham has been lying up the Altamaha river for several months, fitting out and waiting a favorable chance to run out.

The abandonment of the rebel cause by the Indians in Arkansas is fully confirmed. The Choctaw chieftain, M. Curtain, with the other rebel leaders, came into our lines and surrendered themselves to Gen. McNeil. They have abandoned the rebel allegiance, and desire to, as all themselves of the President's Amnesty Proclamation. The question of modifying it to embrace the case of these Indians comes up at Washington.

Gen. Gilmore will try to raize the monitor, Werhawken, forthwith.

Mrs. Patterson Allen is on trial for treason.

The message of the rebel Governor of Texas, is published. He is defiant to the last. There is no peace for Texas until the Confederacy is acknowledged. W. J. J.

The New Passport System—English Bark Seized—Arrivals from New Orleans—Advices from Texas, etc.

NEW YORK, Dec. 26.—Rules regulating the new passport system have been extended to foreign vessels, and such forms were communicated to the British Consul yesterday.

The English bark Circassian was seized here yesterday under suspicious circumstances, and many arrests have been made.

The steamers, Washington, from New Orleans the 19th, and the Mississippi on the 18th, arrived to-day. The Washington brought a hundred thousand dollars in specie. The Mississippi brought a lot of rebel prisoners, including Maj. Gen. Gardner.

The navigation of the Mississippi river is hundred miles, north of the Cape of Good Hope. She has on board part of the cargo of the bark Conrad, which vessel was captured by the privateer Alabama, and afterwards converted into the privateer Tuscaloosa. The cargo is principally wool. The Saxon was formerly the American bark Lucy Johnson, of New London, but was wrecked at Table Bay, and was subsequently purchased by Messrs. Anderson & Salton, of Capetown. She is about 250 tons burden. The Vanderbilt also found at Penguin Island 200 tons of coal, which had been left there for the benefit of the privateers. It was confiscated by the Captain of the Vanderbilt. All on board the Vanderbilt were well.

The Efficiency of the Colored Troops.

HEADQUARTERS 10TH ARMY CORPS, MEMPHIS, TENN., Dec. 17, 1863.

General Orders, No. 173.

The recent affair at Mosow, Tennessee, has demonstrated the fact that colored troops properly disciplined and commanded, can and will fight well, and the General-commanding Corps deems it to be due to the officers and men of the 2d regiment West Tennessee Infantry of African descent, thus publicly to return his personal thanks for their gallant and successful defense of the important position to which they had been assigned, and for the manner in which they have vindicated the wisdom of the Government in elevating the rank and file of these regiments to the position of freemen and soldiers.

By order of GEN. S. A. HURLBUT.
T. H. HARRIS, Assistant Adj't Gen.

Mexican Blockaded Ports—Privileges to American Packets.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—Information was received at the State Department to the effect that orders had been sent by the Imperial Government of France, to the Commander-in-Chief of the French Naval forces in the Pacific Ocean, to place in a state of blockade the ports of Acapulco and Sarbiar but it is thought in a spirit of liberality and comity on the part of the French Emperor, he has decided that the American pack