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Reconstruction of Louisiana—Letter from the President.

State politics occupies a good deal of space in the New Orleans papers, and the dispute between the radicals and those called Conservatives runs high. Both parties wish the State Government reconstructed, but while the Radicals want this to be done on an anti-Slavery basis, the Conservatives are desirous of leaving the Constitution of the State as it is, with all its black laws and other barbarous features. It is these last who support the bogus Congressmen now claiming seats. The discussion of these matters has brought to light the following letter, written by the President more than a year ago, to the military Governor, Gen. Shepley:

EXECUTIVE MANSION,
WASHINGTON, November 21, 1862.

Hon. G. F. Shepley:

DEAR SIR: Dr. Kennedy, bearer of this, has some apprehension that Federal officers, not citizens of Louisiana, may be set up as candidates for Congress in that State. In my view there could be no possible object in such an election. We do not particularly need members of Congress from there to enable us to get along with legislation here. What we do want is the conclusive evidence that respectable citizens of Louisiana are willing to be members of Congress and to swear to support the Constitution; and that other respectable men there are willing to vote for them and send them. To send a parcel of Northern men here, as representatives, elected as would be understood (and perhaps really so) at the point of the bayonet, would be disgraceful and outrageous; and were I a member of Congress here, I would vote against admitting any such man to a seat.

Yours, very truly,
ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

A New Railroad in the South.

The rebels are losing no time in constructing the long projected railroad between Danville, in Virginia, and Greensboro', North Carolina, about forty miles to the southwest, their labors being considerably hastened by apprehensions of the advance of our forces, and of the consequent destruction of the lines by which they now maintain communication between Virginia and the extreme Southern States. Its construction, under the title of the Danville Railroad, was first contemplated several years before the rebellion commenced, but it was never expected to attain that importance which it now holds in the estimation of the Southern government and people. Freight trains commenced running over a portion of it on the twenty-third of last month, and in a few weeks they will be enabled to run to Reidville, about half way between Danville and Greensboro'. The rebel authorities have placed a large number of wagons on the unfinished portion of it, for the purpose of supplying Lee's army with the products of the Gulf States, and while these vehicles are transporting the supplies, numbers of laborers are prosecuting the work on the railroad. Small branch roads in other sections of North Carolina, and switches, without regard to their usefulness to the companies which own them, or to private transporters, are being taken up, and under the supervision of the Richmond Government, are being placed in position along the new route. The rebels consider it one of their most important lines of communication, and secure from all possibility of destruction by the Union forces. We hope, there, that one of our dashing cavalry leaders will be selected to prove by his gallantry and ability that even this distant railroad can be reached when the Union cause requires its destruction. Averill, for instance, who, in thirteen days "marched, climbed, slid and swam three hundred and fifty-five miles," into the interior of Virginia, would soon disabuse the traitors of the belief that it was beyond the bounds of Yankee boldness and intrepidity.

Firing Cannon Under Water.

Last year it was reported that an Engineer of Boston had perfected a contrivance by which a gun of any size could be fired under water in such a manner that the shot from it should take effect also under water. We have heard nothing recently of this discovery or contrivance, but we find from a report made lately of some experiments conducted last year in England by the officers of the British gunnery ship Excellent, that there a full trial has been made, and it is now certain that submerged cannon can be effectively fired. The interesting experiments at Portsmouth are thus described:

"A stage was erected in the harbor within the tide-mark; on this an Armstrong 110-pounder was mounted, loaded and aimed, at low water, at a target placed also within the rise of the tide. When both gun and target were covered by the water to a depth of six feet, the gun was fired by means of a tube. The targets were placed at from twenty to twenty-five feet from the muzzle of the gun. One was composed of piles and oak planking, of a thickness of twenty-one inches; another consisted of the hull of an old vessel, the Griper, laid on a mud bank; a third was made up of three inches in thickness of iron boiler-plates, bolted together and backed with timber. On all these the effect of shot and shell from the submerged gun was very startling. The wooden target was pierced through and through, the iron target was broken into pieces and driven into the backing, the solid shot passed right through both sides of the vessel, making a huge hole through which the water poured in torrents. A shell with percussion burst in entering, opening up a chasm of five feet by three in the planking, shattering the ribs and bursting up the deck beams above."

Our ordnance bureau ought to look to this matter. If it is practicable to load and fire cannon under water, then the defence of harbors will receive a new help; and iron-clads, no matter how heavily they are armored above water, will be as weak and defenceless against such a submerged battery as the merest shell of a wooden frigate. It is impossible to arm a floating vessel against such an assault. Hugo as the British Warrior and the French Gloire are, they can barely support the iron plating which defends their upper works—their hulls below the water-line are no more impervious to shot than any wooden ship's. Suppose now that we had a battery of submerged cannon so arranged in this harbor that they could be loaded, aimed and fired at will, no iron-clad would dare encounter such a foe. Harbor defence would be complete.—*N. Y. Evening Post.*

A Pungent Paragraph.

It seems that there is a Priest in Kentucky who is still holding forth in favor of slavery. He ought to hide in the Mammoth Cave and associate with the fossils. Let him be careful in concealing his name; by signing himself "Priest" he divides the odium of his pro-slavery work with all his brethren, for which many, even in Kentucky, do not thank him but the weight of public censure, if concentrated on his own patronymic, would be overwhelming. A Catholic Priest, in the holy times of Christmas, advocating slavery! Handing over women and children in infamous bondage with one hand and offering incense with the other to the infant Savior—*the Redeemer of all!* What a subject for meditation before the altar on Christmas morning. If slavery must have its advocate, let them be found amongst the laity, and not amongst the Priests. They whose special duty it is to teach the observance of the law of God should not advocate a system by which the law is violated. A Catholic Priest upholding a system which ignores the sacrament of marriage! Shame!—*Cin. Catholic Telegraph.*

GENERAL CONTRACTOR FOR THE NAVY ARRESTED.—J. D. Stover, a general contractor for the Navy Department, has been arrested and is to be tried before a military court in Philadelphia on the 4th of January. The charges are of an exceedingly grave character.

Rebel Accounts of General Averill's Raid—Severe Criticism.

The Richmond *Examiner*, of the 28th December, has the following account of Gen. Averill's raid:

The great Gen. Averill has gone not "up the spout," but back into his den. Cast your eye upon a map, and I'll tell you how he went and how he came. He came from New Creek, a depot upon the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, in the county of Hardy, along the western base of the Shenandoah mountains, through Covington to Salem, burnt things generally, and returned over nearly the same route. Imboden seized the Gap where the Parkersburg turnpike crosses the Shenandoah, and prevented a raid on Staunton. Averill left 500 men to hold Imboden there and pushed on towards Salem. That general could not pursue without uncovering Staunton—the force threatening nearly equaling his own. Gen. Lee was informed of the situation of affairs. Here commences the reign of Major Generals and military science. Major General Jubal A. Early came. Major Gen. Fitzhugh Lee came. Brig. Gen. Walker came. Brig. Gen. Thomas came. Their staffs came. They all took a drink. Gen. Wickham came. Col. Chambliss, commanding a brigade, came. They smiled also.

When Averill was opposite Staunton, Fitz Lee was at Ivy Depot, on the Virginia Central Railroad, a day's march from that town. A fortunate occurrence, indeed. Everybody thought Averill was "treed" now. He passed through Brown's Gap, and struck the valley turnpike at Mount Crawford, eight miles above Harrisonburg—a miserable mistake. One day's march lost. He then marched toward Harrisonburg, then toward Staunton. Another day gone for nothing. He finally reached Staunton, where he ought to have been on the first night. Still there was plenty of time to cut Averill off. Lee and Imboden marched day and night to Lexington, and then toward Covington. They have yet time enough to intercept.

Here was committed the fatal and foolish blunder While Lee and Imboden were on the road to Covington, in striking distance of that place, word was sent, the Yankees are marching toward Buchanan, instead of Covington. No man ought to have put credence in a statement so utterly absurd as that the enemy were going from Salem to that place. Such a statement pre-supposes Averill deliberately placing himself past escape, and therefore run raving mad. Such improbable rumors should never be entertained a moment, much less made the basis of important military movements. The order was obeyed. The troops turned and marched back, and at night were neither at Buchanan or Covington.

The story is told in a few words. The Yankees passed through Covington, and, to their great amazement, escaped. The rumor about Buchanan was the tale of some freightened fool. The enemy in terror and demoralization, fled from Salem at full speed—destroying their train and artillery. Jackson knocked some in the head; the citizens beat the brains out of others; one farmer in Allegheny killed six; some were scattered in the mountains, and are being picked up here and there; the rapid streams drowned many; but the main part have gone whence they came, wondering how they did get away. It is hardly necessary to add, the humblest private in the rank, if he possessed sense enough to eat and drink, not only could, but would have managed better. Old Stonewall would have marched on, caught and killed the Yankees. What Lee thought, this writer don't know. They who know say Imboden begged to go to Covington. He made it plain to the dullest mind that the Buchanan story was past belief. What's done is done.

No language can tell the sufferings of our men. They were in the saddle night and day, save a few hours between midnight and day. They were beat up by the officers with their swords—the only means of arousing them—numb and sleepy. Some froze to death; others were taken from their horses senseless. They forded swollen streams, and their clothes, stiff frozen, rattled as they rode. It rained in torrents, and froze as it fell. In the mountain paths the ice was cut from the roads before they ventured to ride over. One horse slipped over the precipice—the rider was leading him; he never looked over after him.

The whole matter is summed up in a couple of sentences. Averill was penned up. McCausland, Echols, and Jackson at one gate; Lee and Imboden at the other. Some ass suggested he might escape by jumping down the well, and coming out in Japan—i. e., go to Buchanan. Early ordered them to leave a gate open and guard the well. He did not jump in.

Meanwhile, the Yankees coolly came up the Valley, through Edenburg, New Market, up to Harrisonburg, within twenty-five miles of Staunton—"these headquarters." This was bearding the lion in his den. Jubal took the field at the head of Company Q and a party of substitute men, farmers and plough-boys, called "home guards." The Yankees got after him, and the "Major-General commanding," lost his hat in the race. The last heard of him he was pursuing the enemy with part of his division—footmen after cavalry—with fine prospects of overtaking them somewhere in China, perhaps about the "great wall." The Yankees were retreating toward the "Devil Hole;" early bound for the same place. They did very little damage in the Valley.

Here is the moral. The marshals under Napoleon's eye were invincible—with separate commands, blunderers. A General of a division, with Gen. Robert E. Lee to plan and put him in the right place, does well. Mosby would plan, and execute a fight or strategic movement better than Longstreet at Suffolk or Knoxville, or Jubal Early at Staunton.

Jackson's blunt response to some parlor or bar-room strategist in Richmond, "More men but fewer orders," was wisdom in an axiom—true then, just as true now as when the Hero of the Valley uttered it. It is difficult to direct, especially by couriers, the movement of troops a hundred miles distant, among mountains the "ranking" general never saw, except on an inaccurate map. It is not every commander that can point out roads he never heard of, and by-paths he never dreamed of, as the proper ones to cut off an enemy. Bullets, not brains, are needed here.

A Horror.

There has been a horror discovered in a Cornwall village—a poor lunatic confined by his brother for twenty years in a room under circumstances of appalling barbarity. The villagers, accustomed to his heartrending shrieks and howls, never interfered, "it was none of their business." Only a stranger discovered and delivered the miserable being, "more resembling a babboon than a man, drawn and cramped from long exposure and suffering out of all form of humanity, stark naked, and only two old rotten bags for a coverlet," the description of the room in which he was confined being loathsome beyond measure.—*Correspondence N. Y. Tribune.*

This is a fact, says the Philadelphia *Press*, but it might as well be an allegory. Have we not discovered a horror in America? A slave, kept in bondage often of appalling barbarity, always of startling injustice—"more resembling a babboon than a man," so say the apologists for slavery—with a soul cramped from long suffering, the description of the system being loathsome beyond measure. The parallel does not stop here. Accustomed to his howls, the neighbors "never interfered," and we actually find men in the North who—after FANNY KEMBLE has published her book, after Gen. BUTLER has told his story, after the enormous crimes and misery of slavery has been published to the world—still say "it is none of our business." We have learned that that which is a horror in England has long been a common-place in America.

THE Russian Government have commenced putting up telegraph wires from St. Petersburg to the mouth of the Amoor, a distance of about 12,000 miles, which is expected to be completed by the middle of next year. The United States Government are to connect with this line, and so, by a circuit of 20,000 miles, reach England.

A RECENT Salt Lake City letter speaks of the new theater erected by the Mormons as one of the finest in the Union, and adds: "Last night I counted in Brigham Young's family box ninety-three women and children, and the box was not near full. He occupied an elegant private box with his two favorite wives."

THE Lafayette *Courier* announces the death of Louis Bible, in Tippecanoe county, Ind., at the age of 107 years. He was born in Virginia in 1756, and has sons over seventy years of age. His faculties and senses were not greatly impaired up to the time of his death.

THE receipts of hogs at Chicago since October 1st, are 928,152, and the shipments 277,919, leaving 650,234 for packers. It is estimated that 100,000 to 200,000 more will be packed before the season closes.

EVENING GAZETTE TELEGRAMS.

THE POTOMAC ARMY IN WINTER QUARTERS

THE PRESENT SITUATION IN VIRGINIA.

REPORTED FRENCH PROPOSITION FALSE

AVERILL'S LATE EXPEDITION.

DESPONDENCY AT RICHMOND INCREASING.

THE REPORT OF THE ASSESSORS' CONVENTION.

&c., &c., &c.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

WASHINGTON CITY, Jan. 1st, 1864.

The continued rains for several days have swelled the streams, and softened the roads to an extent, that it will suspend extensive military movements for the rest of this winter.

Our army is in winter quarters on the Rapidan about Culpepper, with picket lines extending to that river. The enemy's pickets of cavalry are on the opposite shore. These relative positions are not likely to be changed at present.

It is said that a considerable portion of our army moved to Culpepper last week, the advance taking its position out as far as Mitchell's station, seven miles from that town. They had been at Kelly's ford, and had erected winter quarters, and were loth to leave them. The 14th Brooklyn Regiment is doing provost duty in Culpepper.

Our forces at Culpepper are taking all the vacant houses, rooms and stables for hospital purposes.

The wealthiest citizens of Culpepper are in need of breadstuffs. They could get along very well, if they only had this necessary, as they have, apparently, a plenty of meat on hand.

Among the buildings destroyed by our army on their retreat from the Rapidan, were all on the Culpepper home farm of W. D. Wallack, editor of the *Star*, including his dwelling house, perhaps the largest in the county, and a dozen servants' houses, barns, granaries, &c. They were all torn down.

A telegraphic dispatch published to the country this morning from St. Johns, saying that the French Government had formally proposed to our Government a recognition of Maxamillian as Emperor of Mexico, and had been refused, is absolutely false. Our Government has never received such proposals, and the dispatch is evidently the concoction of some swindling stock jobbers.

Fredericksburg Heights are occupied by a division of Ewell's rebel corps. Comfortable quarters have been erected, and preparation made to spend the winter there. A few guns of light calibre have been mounted on the fortifications.

The damage to the rebels inflicted by Averill's raid into Southern Virginia, is placed at not less than five millions of dollars. The destruction of tanneries and heavy stocks of leather will prove as great a loss to them as any that could have occurred.

Mr. Hill, for the last ten years an employe of the Richmond and Fredericksburg Railroad, reached here last night, having escaped across the Rappahannock at Fredericksburg, but three days ago; he made his way down to the Potomac, crossed over into Charles county, Maryland, and thence came via Port Tobacco. He represents despondency and discontent at Richmond as greatly increased. Bacon sells there now at four dollars per pound, and he paid one hundred and twenty dollars in confederate money for soleing his boots.

Hampton's Legion is doing rebel picket duty at Fredericksburg.

The report of the Assessors' Convention at Cleveland has been submitted to the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, and by him sent to Mr. Chase, who will submit it to the sub Committee of Ways and Means, who have been at work here during the recess.

The Minister from Sweden and Norway, Count Piper, in accordance with instructions from his Government, yesterday had an audience with the President, for the purpose of presenting to him, on behalf of the King, a volume containing engravings of Royal collection of arms. This is understood to be in reciprocation of a similar compliment, the President having, a short time since, presented to His Majesty a pair of pistols of American workmanship. Suitable acknowledgments were made and mutual good wishes exchanged for the continuance of the cordial relations now existing.

Colored Substitutes—Respects to the President—Rebels Captured—Rebel Raid Toward Winchester Expected—Important Orders, etc.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—A number of colored men belonging to this District, are on their way to New York to be used as substitutes. These men were taken off the steamship Baltimore, at Germantown, yesterday, by one of the detectives.

Among the first to pay their respects to the President yesterday, were Secretary Seward and the French Minister.

The gunboat Commodore Reed arrived yesterday at Alexandria, bringing up two Lieutenants and five privates, of the rebel army, and several ladies, among whom was Mrs. Davis, wife of a rebel Colonel Davis, who were captured while attempting to cross the Potomac.

There are indications that Gen. Early contemplates a movement or raid towards Winchester, and perhaps beyond that town.

An order has been issued from the Army of the Potomac, prohibiting all newspaper correspondents connected therewith from publishing or causing to be published the number or description of regiments re-enlisting in the army or leaving the same, and the number of men furloughed

Another order from Provost Marshal Patrick requires a correct enrollment to be made of all civilians or army followers, excepting actual residents within the limits of their respective corps. This is designed to reach those who have sought refuge in the army to avoid the draft.

Fifty prisoners and deserters have reached Washington to-day.

Colored Celebration at Norfolk.

FORTRESS MONROE, Jan. 1.—The colored inhabitants of Norfolk and vicinity, celebrated, to-day, the first anniversary of their freedom, as given them under the President's proclamation of one year ago. Four regiments of colored troops under the command of Brigadier General E. A. Wilds, took part in the exercises.

There were present as invited guests, Major General B. F. Butler and staff, Brigadier Generals Barnes, Getty, Ledlie and Heckman, with their respective staffs. The procession marched and counter-marched through all the principal streets of Norfolk, and upon arriving on the square fronting the cemetery, formed a hollow square, and speaking and music by the bands, and masonic exercises were the order of the day.

Colored Men Presented to the President.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2.—To-day's *Chronicle* says: Years ago had a colored man presented himself at the White House at the President's Levee, seeking an introduction to the Chief Magistrate of the nation, he would have been, in all probability, roughly handled for his impudence. Yesterday four colored men, of genteel exterior, and the manners of gentlemen, joined in the throng that crowded the Executive Mansion, and were presented to the President of the United States.

Death of Archbishop Hughes.

NEW YORK, Jan. 2.—Archbishop Hughes died this morning.

LADIES' SATCHELS, PORTEMONNIES, Writing Desks Pocket Knives, Gold Pens, Photograph Albums, Toy Books. A fine assortment of Games, Chelsea Gilt Books, Pocket Books, Diaries, Almanacs, and a great variety of beautiful goods adapted to the season to be found at No. 104 Federal street, Allegheny. T. E. WAKEHAM.

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AMUSEMENTS.

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Benefit of the favorite actor, Mr. G. S. KAMES, who trust that this his first appeal to the public will meet their approbation and support. THIS EVENING, the great drama of the JEWESS; OR, THE COUNCIL OF TEN. Eleazar...G. S. Kames. Leopold...C. Loveday. Cardinal...F. Chippendale. Rachel...Annie Eberle. Overture—La Belle...Orchestra. To conclude with THE SCHOOL OF REFORM. Bob Tyke...G. S. Kames.

A CARD.—Miss Annie Hyatt respectfully announces that she will take HER FIRST BENEFIT this season at the Pittsburgh Theatre, on WEDNESDAY EVENING, January 6, 1864; on which occasion will be presented the thrilling drama entitled THE LONELY MAN OF THE OCEAN; or, A Dream of Horror. Beckie Bowles with Song and Dance...Miss A. Hyatt. To conclude with the screaming Pantomime of GOODY TWO SHOES. Little Boy Blue, with song...Miss A. Hyatt. The Box sheet is now open and seats can be procured. ja4:2t

THE GREAT PICTURE! AT MASONIC HALL, For a short time only, Commencing Monday, Jan. 4th, 1864. J INSCO WILLIAMS' CELEBRATED PANORAMA OF THE BIBLE. This is the largest painting of the Sacred Scriptures in the world, covering nearly four thousand square yards of canvas. Open each evening at 7½ o'clock; also Wednesday and Saturday afternoons, at 3 o'clock. Tickets, 25 CENTS; Children under ten years old, 15 CENTS. de28:tf

GRAND ENGLISH CONCERT! For the benefit of the Subsistence Committee, by the Choir of CHRIST'S M. E. CHURCH, AT LAFAYETTE HALL! ON THURSDAY EVENING JANUARY 21ST. H. KLEBER and QUARTETTE (by request) have kindly consented to assist in consideration of the object the Concert is for. TICKETS...50 cents. To be had from any member of the Subsistence Committee, and at the Music and Drug Stores. de30:4t

GARIBALDI'S PANORAMA.—Will be exhibited at Lafayette Hall, BIANCO'S GRAND ITALIAN PANORAMA OF THE LIFE AND HEROIC CAREER OF GARIBALDI. The scenery will be accompanied by a lecture from A. DURFORD. Commencing next Monday, January 4th, continuing for a few days only. Doors open at 6½, commence 7¾. Admission, 25 cents; Children 10 cents. de31:3td

FOR SALE.

PUBLIC SALE OF CITY LOTS.—By order of the Orphans' Court of Allegheny county, Pa., the undersigned, as Guardian of Mary Greer, Sarah Greer, Sophia Greer and Lilly Greer, will offer at Public Sale, on SATURDAY, the 9th day of January, A. D. 1864, the following described property in the City of Pittsburgh, to wit: 1. That certain lot of ground on the corner of Penn and Marbury streets, fronting on Penn street 20 feet and running back along Marbury street 109 feet 10½ inches, to Brewery alley, being part of lot No. 132 in the original plan of Pittsburgh; on which are erected two old brick dwelling houses. 2. That certain lot of ground on King's alley, situate about 62½ feet southward from Virgin alley, fronting on King's alley 24 feet 10 inches, and running back, the same width, 23 feet 6 inches. 3. The following thirty-four lots in the Eighth Ward in David Greer's plan, as recorded in Plan Book vol. 1, page 173, to wit: Lots Nos. 17, 18, 74, 75, 76, 77, 85, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 102, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 147, 148 and 149. The sale of the lot on the corner of Penn and Marbury streets will take place on the premises, at 10 o'clock a. m.; the lot on King's alley on the premises, at 11 o'clock a. m.; and the vacant lots in the Eighth Ward on the premises, at 2 o'clock p. m. The lot on Marbury street is of good size and in a good location, and as the buildings are not very valuable, it is worthy the attention of capitalists. The vacant lots in the Eighth Ward are in a part of the city which is rapidly improving, and should receive the attention of those who wish to procure building lots. Some of them are also valuable for their Stone Quarries. TERMS OF SALE—One-third cash, and the balance in two equal annual payments, with interest, from confirmation of sale. J. W. F. WHITE, Guardian, &c., No. 106 Fifth street. Pittsburgh, Dec. 18, 1863. de21:3wed

FOR SALE.—A lot of land, containing 78 acres, situated 1½ miles from Dixmont Station, on the Pittsburgh, Fort Wayne & Chicago R. R. The above property is well timbered, with a good young orchard of bearing fruit trees. This property will be sold on reasonable terms. For further particulars address S. C. McMASTER, Sewickleyville, Pa.

HOTEL AND LOT FOR SALE, situate in the Borough of West Newton, Westmoreland county, Pa. Lot on Main street is 132 feet; on Railroad street 128 feet. Brick Hotel 58 feet by 66 feet; kitchen 30 by 18 feet. Stable 80 by 42 feet. If not sold, it will be rented. HUNTER & SAAM. West Newton, Nov. 30, 1863. de7:1wd4t

FOR SALE—Three newly built three-story Brick Houses, with Store Rooms on first floors, situate on the corner of Wylie and Congress streets. Finished in modern style and the best manner. For further information inquire at No. 61 WOOD STREET. de7:2wod

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