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Exchange of Naval Prisoners---Appearance of the Rebel Pirates---Wretched Condition of the Union Men---List of Officers and Seamen.

WAKEFIELD, JAMES RIVER, Oct. 19, 1864.

The flag of truce boat Mary Washington, having on board about one hundred and fifty privateersmen and pirates, including about forty of their chiefs, arrived here yesterday morning to exchange them for the brave sailors who have been for a long time languishing in Southern dungeons.

THE APPEARANCE OF THE PIRATICAL CREW.

On going on board the steamer, I was surprised to find that this class of men were well and tidily dressed, with clean shirts and apparel suitable for the approaching winter, while their chiefs sported well-fitting suits of gray, elaborately trimmed with gold lace and corresponding hats or caps. So far as dress went, the leaders looked like aristocrats, while the Buccaneers at a distance, would have been mistaken for gentlemen. In addition to their respectable appearance, and healthy aspect, many of the pirates had new trunks, which were, no doubt, well filled with something, though the contents may not be contraband, which they were carrying with them to the South. All of them had valises, and most of the freebooter crew were provided with fashionable leather traveling bags. When one considers that these pirates---not excepting their chiefs---are brought within our lines in the most filthy condition, covered with infamy and vermin, and as destitute of money as they are of principle, the question naturally occurs, Who furnished these splendid outfits? Treating these individually with humanity is one thing, but the extravagant code of consideration of which they have been the recipients evinces a degree of humiliation which reflects discreditably upon those who permitted it.

But little delay was required in facilitating matters for the disembarkation of these well-dressed prisoners. Colonel Mumford, under whose auspices the exchanges are connected, soon settled the preliminaries, after which the pirates and their crew were landed, without any demonstration of joy whatever. They left the steamer in silence, which strongly assumed the appearance of regret. Each man acted as his own porter, while those who had trunks were assisted by their comrades.

THOSE SEAMEN START FOR A SIGHT OF THE OLD FLAG.

Everything now being in readiness, the officers, many of them not waiting for ambulances, came down the gangway, and, taking the shortest road for the steamer Mary Washington. It was amusing to see how both threw away the dirty blankets, cooking utensils, corn bread, and many other articles of which they now had no further use. None of them brought, and saw, any trunks or well-filled valises, as those for whom they were exchanged had done. They are now turned into as untidy a condition as possible, with a full supply of rags with which to rig out the Northern trade. When these brave sailors reached the Mary Washington, and many other vessels near by flying the old flag (what they had long been waiting to see), their excitation knew no bounds.

As soon as they were on board of the flag-of-truce boat the officers came down the gangway on deck and paddle-boxes of the gunboat Delaware, and gave them such a cheering reception as awakened memories of the past, and fired up their enthusiasm which had been chilled by long suffering. The returned patriots, nearly all of whom had been recently confined in Andersonville, Ga., the prison house of death, sent back an answering shout, which told the jolly tars of the Delaware that their devotion to the old flag which now floated over them is still as unwavering as ever.

TEN-RENDLE-ENTHUSIASTIC COLORED SEAMEN.

With this number of prisoners came SIX HUNDRED sailors whom the rebels exchanged, and, from an understanding, this class of Union defenders are henceforth to be treated as prisoners of war. The enemy will spoil ranch Gen. Butler's standard, then all will be well.

THE great-hearted farmer, Jo. Hooker, said in a speech at Chicago last Saturday:

"I feel proud that I have been permitted to take a part in putting down the Rebellion. I prayed to God that he would give me valor and strength to act my part. (Cries, 'You have done it.') I have done what I could do. I have never failed to attack the conspirators irrespective of orders or advantages. (Cries of 'That's so.') I will continue to do so wherever found, or with whatever odds, and if I can't meet them in the field I will fight them at home. (Loud cheers.) I expect to see the Union restored, and will take any responsibility to do it. I am earnest in the work. This people will take care of what I was left them by their fathers. They have not degenerated. The war is no failure. (Loud applause.) (I don't think you need assistance here; but if you wish backers you know where to find them. (Great Applause.)) It makes but little difference where they assign me to duty. The elections last week struck terror to the enemy. (Cheers.) The election in November will be a Waterloo to Copperheads and Rebels. (Loud and continued applause.) They relied on the Peace party in the North. I felt astonished to see so many sympathizing with the Rebels, while traversing through the West. The horrors of the revolution were respectable compared to the Copperheads of the North. (Loud cheers.) The latter occupy much the worst position. I was a Democrat, and if they will interpret the Constitution as framed by our fathers, I am a Democrat still. But until they do this, I am for the Union---through all time. In whatever place they put me I will be a team horse. If you have any right here, let me know; you will not want for a backer." [Wild hurrahing.]

SHERMAN'S COMMUNICATIONS.---A private letter from an officer of General Sherman, dated in the field, Atlanta, September 27, says: "Despatches are frequent between the heads of the rebels' columns and mine sometimes in our lines of communication. They last at best but a few days, and they do not in any way interfere with the forwarding of supplies. For example, the rebels broke our line of communication between Nashville and Chattanooga at the last place, we, before the break, had accumulated supplies to serve us for all the stock of the road; operations have been diverted a single day in consequence. Sherman has never failed to supply his soldiers because of their raids."

CITY AND SUBURBAN.

Progress of Internal Commerce.

The *Railroad Record* publishes an interesting article on this subject, from which we make the following extracts:

The first great change in our internal commerce occurred, when the settlement of the Ohio Valley had come to be of some importance, and demanded expeditious means of communication with the Atlantic cities. Muchas it was needed, however, it did not come till the genius of Fulton made the invention of steamboats a practicable machinery of commerce. It is almost incredible now, but it is a fact, that for several years, heavy articles, such as iron and nail were carried on pack horses over the mountains. We know a merchant of Chillicothe, who brought his goods, including salt, on horses from Philadelphia. In the year 1806 near 20,000 people per annum passed Fort Harmer, at the mouth of the Muskingum, for the settlements on the Ohio; but, how did they come? They came over the mountains on horses and in wagons; and embarked on the Ohio, in boats called arks, since flat-boats covered over with boards, to make a covering for families and goods. This mode of conveyance continued for several years, until steamboats were introduced. We may here say, that up to 1812, there were no stages west of the mountains. There was no way in which a family could travel comfortably, but in their own equipages.

The first steamboat launched upon the waters of the West was built at Pittsburgh, in 1811. The first one launched at Cincinnati, was the Vesta, in 1816. Steamboat navigation was not, however, actively pursued till after 1817. From that time until 1843, when railroads began to be introduced in the West steamboats were the principal means of carrying on commerce. From the Valley of the Ohio, Pittsburgh and Wheeling on one side, and New Orleans on the other, were the principal ports for exported products. This course of trade did not materially change till after 1850, when the finishing of the Cleveland, Lake Shore and Pennsylvania roads, caused another change in the course of internal commerce.

From the moment when the railroads to the north and east were finished the course of trade in the Ohio Valley began to leave the rivers and concentrate more at Pittsburgh, Cincinnati and Chicago, where the products of the country are mainly carried by railroad. This change had already greatly diminished the receipt of products from the north-western States, so that when the war began, the loss of the New Orleans trade was scarcely felt. Since then, the magnitude of the business transacted by northern railroads can scarcely be appreciated by those who do not make this subject a study.

It is well ascertained, however, that our railroads transport in the aggregate at least 850 tons of merchandize per annum to the mile of road in operation. Such a rate would give 26,640,000 tons as the total annual tonnage of railroads for the whole country. If we estimate the value of this tonnage at $150 per ton, the aggregate value of the whole would be $3,900,000,000. Vast as this commerce is, more than three-quarters of it has been created since 1830.

The Local Oil Trade.

The Oil City *Register*, of the 20th inst., contains the following in reference to the oil operations of the preceding week:

The oil market for the past week has been active, with large transactions. The ruling price for the week, at the wells, ranged from $7.50 to $8 per barrel. Within the past two days the market has been dull, the prices affording no margin for shippers. The market closes quiet.

The Cuba Wells, on the Cornplanter Farm, which was burned a short time since, is now pumping about 200 barrels per day. We paid a visit to this well on Monday last, and at the time, estimated the production at from 275 to 300 barrels per day. As the well had just fairly started up then, and was producing a good amount of water, we find our estimate was rather high. G. W. Coobran & Co. bored this well; and have a large share of the working interest.

The Phillips Oil Company have one quarter interest. Messrs. John Mewhinney, Davis, Irwin and Owen have also interests in this well. The well is now producing full 200 barrels, with a good prospect of increasing.

The well of Capt. L. Gruaninger upon the Smith farm, on Cherry Run, which we noticed last week as producing 80 barrels per day, has since increased its production to 150 barrels. This morning, in the settlement of the rebel casualties by this veracious sheet.

An order was issued by the Richmond War Office, conscripting one fifth of the employees in the ordnance and military bureaus, that service, a hundred men to the military forces. The order is considered a breach of faith, and gives great dissatisfaction, but it shows the straits the rebels are reduced to.

A recent arrival reports an American vessel, the Augusta *Chronicle* says: General Slocum, who holds Atlanta, has contracted his lines materially, so much so, as to leave part of the city out in the cold. A rebel Colonel made a dash through this part without suffering damage.

The Macon *Intelligencer* says the rebels are making arrangements to enter Atlanta and securely hold it.

FROM MISSOURI.

ADVICES FROM LITTLE ROCK.

MOVEMENT TO INTERCEPT PRICE.

SUFFERING SOLDIERS FURLOUGHED

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 25.---B. D. Kitlan, having proved ineligible, the Democrats have nominated Joe Hogan in his stead.

Late advices from Little Rock state that Maguder has left Camden, and is rapidly marching toward Red River.

Only about five thousand rebels are left between Saline river and Camden.

Gen. Herron is at Little Rock, on an inspecting tour.

Through Canby's Department there is great activity in military matters, indicating a movement to intercept Price.

All soldiers suffering from chronic diseases are being sent North on sixty days' furlough. Nearly 500 have already been sent.

ARRIVAL FROM BERMUDA.

The Capture of the Roanoke.

THE CREW ARRIVED AT NEW YORK.

HALIFAX, Oct. 25.---A steamer from Bermuda arrived here last night with the passengers of the Roanoke. It appears after the Roanoke left Havana her engines were stopped to receive passengers approaching, who, afterwards proved to be Confederates under Capt. Braine and Lieut. Parr of Chesapeake notoriety.

After the capture, Braine proposed to Captain Dreer to bond the steamer for $50,000 in gold, payable at Bermuda, Braine to keep the cargo. This was of course refused.

The Roanoke arrived at Bermuda, quite out of coals. She had a valuable cargo of baled tobacco, cigars and sugar.

Braine and associates than liberated Captain Dreer and crew. They left for New York on the 17th.

FROM SHERMAN'S DEPARTMENT.

The Rebels Being Cooped Up in the Valley.

HOOD REPORTED NEAR FAYETTE.

One Army Six Miles from the Enemy.

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.---The *Herald's* Chattanooga correspondent, dated the 19th, says: Sherman is not pushing Hood, but rather managing it possible to coop him up in the valley and starve him to death. Hood has wonderfully failed in finding or capturing supplies. He is trying his best to avoid a fight. He attempted to sneak back through Snake Creek Gap, but finding that outlet blocked up, abandoned the attempt. This morning he is reported to be a mile and a half below Fayette. Sherman is perhaps six miles from him.

Army Voting.

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.---The *Times'* Washington special says: The 111th New York regiment have voted as follows: Lincoln, 285; McClellan, 9. Fenton, 294; unanimous. The 189th voted: Union, 451; Democratic, 77. The ballots have been forwarded by mail to the several precincts designated by the voters.

Propeller Boiler Explosion.

CHICAGO, Oct. 25.---The Propeller Tonawanda exploded her boiler, in the river, yesterday. She is a complete wreck. One man was killed and five wounded.

Heavy Sales near New Castle.

A very large amount of property has changed hands lately in and about the flourishing town of New Castle, in Lawrence county. Among the most extensive purchasers are the Messrs. Phillips, who have made immense fortunes in the oil business. The following are among the most recent transactions: The Stuart farm, bought by the Messrs. Phillips, for $30,000. Near town, the Courtney farm, for $25,000, bought by the Messrs. Phillips; and the Kissick storehouse and lot on Main street, New Castle, for 13,000, and the Kissick barrel factory, for 7,000, by the same gentlemen. A short time ago, Messrs. Dithridge & Co., the well known glass manufacturers of this city, purchased the Crawford mill for $60,000. The Kissick flour mill was purchased lately by Ramsy, for $18,000.

A CHANCE FOR BETTING MEN.---The Oil City *Register* makes the following announcement: Capt. Jake Hill, of Pittsburgh, requests us to state that he is ready to bet from One to Ten Thousand Dollars that Abraham Lincoln will be elected President of the United States at the ensuing election. Those who want to bet can secure the same by applying at this office, or addressing him at Pittsburgh, Pa.

The Ohio Election.

COLUMBUS, O., Oct. 24, 1864.

A table prepared for publication in the Cincinnati *Gazette* of to-morrow, gives returns, mostly official, from the entire State. The Union majority is 26,002, which the soldiers' vote will increase to 75,000.

Congressman Ashley is no doubt elected. The majority against him is 569, but this will be overcome by the soldiers' vote, which, as far as heard from, is as favorable to him as to the other Union candidates. His opponent is Col. Bliss, of the 57th Ohio, who swallows McClellan, but repudiates Vallandigham and the Chicago platform. He received the support of the Waite faction of the Union party in that district.

Delano and Bingham, in the 13th and 16th districts will be made all right by the soldiers, but the Copperheads have the 5th and 12th beyond recovery.

All the Ohio regiments in Sherman's army with but one exception, succeeded in voting, but they did it while marching and repelling attacks of the rebels, whose war-cry was "McClellan." The men were thus fighting rebels in front and rear at the same time. They vote all one way.---*Dispatch to N. Y. Tribune.*

Naturalizing Discharged Soldiers.

It does not seem to be generally known that in the year 1862 an important amendment was made to the naturalization laws of the United States, by which an alien of the age of twenty-one years and upwards, who had enlisted, or might thereafter enlist in the armies of the United States, either in the regular or volunteer forces, may become a citizen by virtue of his service. The act was passed July 17, 1862. It secures to any alien who has been *honorably discharged*, the privilege of citizenship, on his own petition, without a previous declaration of intentions. He must prove that he has resided in the United States one year before his application, and also prove his good moral character in the ordinary manner, and must also produce proof that he has been honorably discharged. There are many aliens who have been in service and whose time has expired to whom this privilege will apply, and it is as well that the terms of the law should be generally understood.

COPPERHEAD OUTRAGE IN SCHUYLKILL COUNTY.---The Tamaqua *Journal*, of Saturday last, contains the following:

A shameful outrage was perpetrated upon the family of Mr. George Geiger, at Mahoney City, on Tue-day evening last. Mr. Geiger is a Democrat, but had been active at the polls during the day in favor of Gen. Geo. Cass. For this the Copperheads determined to have revenge; and, accordingly, a gang of about fifty of them went to his house, and not finding him at home they took the crutches from his son, a badly wounded soldier, and beat him shamefully with them. His aged mother attempted to intercede for him, when they set upon her and beat her also. They then went out to a shed and beat a cow almost to death. Two brothers, the ringleaders of the gang, were arrested and bound over for trial. One of them is a member of the Borough Council.

THE Steamer Roanoke, on her last trip from Havana, was seized when at sea, by her passengers, the carpenter was shot dead, the crew and passengers were landed on the Bermudas, and the Roanoke fired, her captors escaping at Bermuda. The Bermuda authorities, if they did their duty, would deliver the captors of this vessel up to the Spanish authorities, to be dealt with as pirates, and for conspiring within Spanish territory to commit piracy, or should be delivered to the United States, to be punished for committing the piracy on board an American vessel. We have no doubt the Bermudians will do so; but our Government should present the facts to the Spanish Government, and let them make the demand. Rossel agents inciting to piracy in Spanish territory have no more right to plunder American ships than the subjects of Spain would have. In the latter, such acts would be piracy, and in the former it is no better.

BRITISH GUINEAS AGAINST US.---At the great Union meeting in New Haven, on Wednesday, the Rev. Dr. Bacon, in the course of which he said that he had hurried home to vote for Mr. Lincoln; and that his haste had been stimulated by having observed how deeply interested the Government of England are in our election, and how anxious they are that McClellan should succeed. He spoke of noblemen who freely admitted they were sending gold to this country to influence the election in favor of McClellan, believing his election would be followed by peace and *separation*.---*N. Y. Tribune.*

THE PROVOST MARSHAL MURDER IN IOWA.---*More Proof Positive of Conspiracy.*---Fifty of the gang that murdered the two draft officers in Powe shiek county, in Iowa on the 1st inst., have been arrested and subjected to preliminary examination, and committed to the Davenport jail to await trial. One of them was wounded, thought himself dying, and made a free confession, declaring that they were an organized rebel company, drilling at State militia, and looked forward to the invasion of Missouri as their special time for action. He was arrested by Gov. Stone in person.

A FRIGHTFUL accident has just taken place at Ulm, from petroleum oil. During a representation at the theater, twenty-four lamps attached to the chandelier suspended from the roof burst in succession with great rapidity, and the burning oil fell like a shower of fire on the spectators, among whom were a number of ladies. In a moment the dresses of them were in flames, and most serious burns were the consequence. One of the ladies was so dreadfully injured that she died in a few hours.

STRINGENT arrangements have been made to prevent rebel pirates shipping in disguise on board steamers leaving this port, for the purpose of seizing them on the high seas. On Saturday no persons were allowed to go on board unless they could show beyond a doubt that they were *bona fide* peaceful passengers. The baggage was also subjected to strict examination.

THERE was another great gathering at Plymouth Church last evening, and the able sermon of Mr. Beecher, upon the political questions at issue, was listened to with profound attention. Meetings of this character, when so largely attended, are indicative of a rapid growth of the Republican party, and in the belief in the great principles which it seeks to promote through the medium of the ballot-box.---*N. Y. Trib.*

A MONTREAL paper of Friday, the day after the raid upon St. Albans, has this: "Mr. George N. Sanders, the well known agent of the Southern Confederacy, is in town." What connection this arrival may have with the raid can be guessed from the fact that one of the robbers telegraphed to Sanders thus: "We are captured. Do what you can for us."

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Each ration to consist of three-eighths of a pound of pork or bacon, or one and a fourth pound of fresh or salt beef; eighteen ounces of bread or flour, or twelve ounces of hard bread, or one and a fourth pound of corn meal; and at the rate of one hundred rations of eight quarts of beans; or, in lieu thereof, ten pounds of rice or hominy; and at the rate of one hundred and fifty ounces of desiccated potatoes, and one hundred ounces of mixed vegetables; one pound of coffee, or in lieu thereof, one and a half pounds of tea; fifteen pounds of sugar; four quarts of vinegar; one pound and a half of adamantine candles, or one pound of sperm candles, or one pound of wax candles, or one and a half pounds of tallow; one pound of soap, and two quarts of salt.

The rations to be delivered from the order of the Commanding Officer of each station; the fresh beef, either in cash or by the single ration, of good quality, with an equal proportion of the ox and kind thereof, the necks and kidneys, tallow excluded; the pork, No. 1, prime mess pork; the flour, extra superfine; the coffee, good Rio; the sugar, good raw sugars, or its equivalent; and the vinegar, beans, candles, soap, salt, &c., to be of good quality.

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