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EVENING GAZETTE TELEGRAMS.

NEWS THROUGH REBEL SOURCES.

Rebel Reconnoissance Before Richmond.

LEE'S REPORT OF GEN. WARREN'S EXPEDITION.

Yankee Raid in Louisiana.

ESCAPE OF UNION PRISONERS AT DANVILLE TO ESCAPE.

Gen. Sherman's Movements in Georgia.

New York, Dec. 15.—The Richmond *Sentinel* of the 12th says: General Longstreet, on Saturday morning, made a reconnoissance on the Darbytown and Williamsburg roads, for the purpose of discovering the strength and position of the enemy. The reconnoissance was satisfactorily accomplished, and General Longstreet now retires to his old position. Our loss was one killed and several wounded. We lost no prisoners. A number of the enemy's pickets were captured, and some killed and wounded.

General Lee makes the following reports concerning Gen. Warren's expedition:

HEADQUARTERS ARMY NORTHERN VA., } December 10, 1864. }

Honorable James A. Seddon, Secretary of War:

Early yesterday, the 1st division of the 2d corps of the enemy, supporting the cavalry, forced back our pickets on the Vaughan Road, south of Appomattox, and advanced towards Dinwiddie Court House. To-day, our cavalry reinforced by infantry, drove them back across Rowanty's Run, capturing a few prisoners and re-establishing our lines.

R. E. LEE, General.

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Hon. John A. Seddon, Secretary of War:

General Hampton, after driving the enemy's cavalry upon his infantry on the afternoon of the 8th, recrossed the Nottoway and reached Belfield at daylight yesterday. In the afternoon, the enemy made a final attack, but were successfully resisted. This morning the enemy is reported retiring and Hampton following. The loss in the cavalry engagements, so far as known, is small. The garrison is under Garnett.

R. E. LEE, General.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—A dispatch from Goldsboro, Dec 14, says: Yesterday, Cox's wandering force of at least 5,000 cavalry, with two pieces of artillery, and ninety-six loaded wagons, carrying with them provisions and ammunition, reached the Neuse River, at two o'clock yesterday morning. Last evening, after burning the conscript camps and some out-buildings, putting the Rocky, pillaging the Island, Mount and burning bridges, they left in the direction of Franklinton, La., which is the direct route to Pearl river. They carried with them Capt. Murray, enrolling officer, the postmaster, Billings, the jail keeper, and all the citizens they could catch, young and old. Their destination is unknown, though they said they were going to Mobile.

A rebel dispatch dated New Market the 9th says: Lieutenant Bayley of the 14th Virginia cavalry, attacked two companies of 31st New York cavalry, near Millwood, Clarke county, on the 14th inst., and killed and captured forty of the party, and three officers.

The Richmond *Despatch* of the 12th says: Yesterday morning the Yankee officers in the prison at Danville made an attempt to overpower the guard, when they were fired on, and Colonel Rooster, of New York, was instantly killed, and others wounded. This frightened the rest, and the attempt was given up. The struggle lasted but a few minutes and all was quiet.

The Richmond *Dispatch* of the 13th says: "The latest news from Sherman is that of Saturday. He was at Bloomingdale, on the Central Georgia Railroad, fifteen miles west of Savannah. It was not absolutely certain whether it was in his programme to attack the city, or to slide away down the coast, or endeavor to force a passage of the Savannah river, en route for Port Royal.

"The position of Savannah is difficult, as involving the necessity of protecting both the city and Central Railroad to Savannah, and Charleston Railroad, while hurling the city on the west, covered to the north and crosses the river eight miles above. Sherman, since he left Millen, has been dragging timber behind him, and otherwise obstructing the roads to protect his rear from the remorseless ravages of Wheeler, who has hung up his track like a bloodhound."

From Hilton Head.

CASUALTIES IN THE FIGHT AT HONEY HILL.

Gen. Foster's Movements Since the Battle.

New York, Dec. 16.—The *Herald's* Hilton Head correspondent of the 8th says: The list of casualties in the fight at Honey Hill has been revised and reduced to 750.

Honey Hill is only half a mile from the Savannah and Charleston Railroad, and from it not only the whistle of the locomotives, but the removal of the trains can be distinctly heard.

Further up the Whitmyre river, on the right of the road upon which Gen. Potter marched, we have taken possession of a landing at Gregory Plantation, which was vacated in a hurry, when our troops advanced. From thence the supplies are forwarded to the front.

A detachment was landed at Mackay Point, on Wednesday, and marched and proceeded up the opposite shore from Gregory's plantation and entrenched on a point there, for the protection of our flank.

The gunboats also co-operated for the protection of our flanks and landings, and the naval brigade under Commodore Preble is doing efficient service.

Gen. Hatch went to the front from Boyd's Neck on Wednesday morning by rapid and strategic movements from the right to left. We have succeeded in obtaining a position, from which we can command the roads, so our heavy guns go up, two bridges and some miles of the Savannah Railroad, even if we do not occupy the road itself.

Opening of the Supreme Court—Inaugural Address of Chief Justice Chase.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—In the Supreme Court of the United States to-day, Mr. Justice Wayne announced to the bar that the bank tax cases from New York would be called for argument immediately after the argument of the case from the Court of Claims involving the question of jurisdiction, which is fixed for the first Tuesday in January next.

The Supreme Court chamber was filled this morning at an early hour, principally with Chief Justice Chase's friends and the members of the bar. At ten minutes past 11 o'clock the crier formally announced the coming of the Justices, who, in full judicial costume, occupied their rooms of office. Justice Wayne walked in front of his associates, and was followed by the Chief Justice. They all separated to their respective chairs, and remained standing while the Chief Justice himself read the oath of office. Mr. Middleton, the Clerk of the Court, read and recorded the commission. All the Justices being seated, the Court proceeded to business.

Special Western Associated Press Dispatch.

New York Stock and Money Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—There is more activity in stocks at the morning's board, but generally at lower prices, especially on the Railroad list. Government's are still in speculative demand. Railroad bonds are more in demand, and generally firm. State stocks steady.

Money stocks decidedly active and firm, at the Petroleum board, and more activity and animation than for some time past; also, an increasing demand for stocks generally. Sales of 1,000 shares Germania, at $1,15; 5,000 do. High Gate, ——; 500 do Manhattan, $10; 100 do. Titus Oil Stocks, $1; 100 do. Blood Farm, $15; 100 do. Hole, $1,35; 200 do. Buchanan Farm Oil Co., $2; 400 do. $1,05.

Gold market continues excited to-day, with a slight decline on the rumor of the fall of Savannah. These rumors are of about equal effect, in the contrary direction, of Gen. Dix's order and resolutions, introduced into the Senate.

Long market a little easier. Foreign exchange nominal.

Latest Southern News—Kilpatrick Mortally Wounded.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 17.—Augusta papers of the 7th have been received at the *American* office. They contain the following:

Beauregard arrived at Augusta on the morning of the 6th.

The *Constitutionalist* of the 7th says: Yankee prisoners report that Kilpatrick was shot through the head and mortally wounded in the fight in Sunday at Waller's Bridge.

The *Chronicle* of the 7th says: Passengers by the Savannah train on Monday afternoon report all quiet in the neighborhood of Pocotaligo. Another report says that the enemy were advancing their main column to Coosawhatchie. It is also reported that the enemy captured two guns on Pocotaligo Creek on Sunday. Nothing definite received.

THE LATEST NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

Latest from Charleston.

STEAMERS RUNNING THE BLOCKADE

Gen. Butler's Dutch Gap Canal.

NEW YORK PRESS ON THE RELEASE OF THE ST. ALBANS RAIDERS.

Resignation of Maj. Gen. Crittenden.

NO NEW MOVEMENTS IN FRONT OF RICHMOND.

Our Picket Lines Considerably Advanced.

GEN. SHERMAN'S MOVEMENTS.

His Army Advancing by Three Parallel Roads.

DESPONDING TONE OF THE REBEL PRESS.

Bragg Cut Off from his Main Force.

Western Associated Press Dispatch.

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OFFICIAL—FROM ADMIRAL DAHLGREN.

Gen. Sherman's Army Near Savannah.

DAHLGREN IN COMMUNICATION WITH HIM.

General Sherman's Letter.

&c., &c., &c.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The following was received last night from Port Royal Harbor via Fortress Monroe:

To Hon. Gideon Welles, Secretary of the Navy:

We have just received a communication from Gen. Sherman's army. He is a few miles from Savannah, and is in fine spirits. I shall bring all my available force into connection with the army. A dispatch is forwarded with this.

Very respectfully, J. H. DAHLGREN.

Dispatches from Dahlgren arrived here this afternoon, with the following important dispatches to the Secretary of the Navy:

FLAG STEAMER PHILADELPHIA, } PORT ROYAL, Dec. 12, 1864. }

Hon. Gideon Welles, Secretary of the Navy:

DEAR SIR: It pleases me to apprise the Department that Gen. Sherman, with his army, is near Savannah, and I am in communication with him. In view of his possible arrival I had stationed several steamers at different points, and had come down from the Tallahassee yesterday in order to be at hand. I had not to wait many hours.

This morning at eight o'clock, the Dahlgren arrived with Captain Duncan and two scouts, Sergeant Myrans, S. Eminick, and George W. Quimby, bring the following lines from General Howard:

Headquarters, Department of the Army of Tennessee, near Savannah.—Sir—We have met with perfect success. Thus far the troops are in fine spirits and near by. Respectfully,

(Signed) O. O. HOWARD, Maj.-Gen.

Captain Dunbar states that our forces were in contact with the rebels a few miles outside of Savannah. He says that Sherman is not in want of anything. Perhaps no event could have given greater satisfaction to the country than that which I announce, and I beg to congratulate the Government on its occurrence. I cannot refrain from expressing the hope that the Department will commend Captain Duncan and his companions to the Honorable Secretary of War, for some mark of approbation for their success in establishing communication between General Sherman and the fleet. It was an emergency of skill and courage.

(Signed,) J. H. DAHLGREN, Rear Admiral.

The following extract of a letter from General Sherman, written before he started on his march, shows that he not only reached the point at which he aimed, but accomplished the difficult work some twelve or fourteen days earlier than he expected.

HEADQUARTERS, KINGSTON, Ga., Nov. 8.

Captain Prunock, U. S. N., Mound City:

SIR—In a few days I will be off for saltwater, and hope to meet my old friend D. D. Porter before long. Will you be kind enough to write him to look out for me about Christmas, from Pilot Head to Savannah.

(Signed) W. T. SHERMAN, Major-General.

That Sherman had captured Savannah before the steamer which brought the above despatches had fairly got out of Port Royal, is probable from the fact that the messenger, who reached here this morning, says when coming out of the harbor, and when it was too late to communicate by signals, the whole fleet began to fire salutes, and the vessels were being gaily decorated with flags in honor of some great victory.

The opinion prevailed on board the steamer, that the ice she left the wharf news had reached the Admiral of the fall of Savannah.

THE ST. ALBANS RAIDERS.

New Warrants Issued for Their Arrest.

THE CONDUCT OF JUSTICE COURTSALE DENOUNCED.

&c., &c., &c.

QUEBEC, Dec. 15.—The discharge of the raiders has surprised the members of Government, and the ground of their discharge is considered as frivolous. The magistrate is likely to be severely dealt with. New warrants have been issued for the Superior Court Judge to re-arrest the raiders, and constables are in pursuit of them. Efficient military force will be sent to the border towns immediately to prevent further depredations.

Montreal, Dec. 15.—The conduct of Judge Coursal and Lamouth, the Chief of Police, is denounced. The latter is accused with complicity in the investigation going on in the Council; it is thought Lamouth will be dismissed.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—There is a profound sensation here in regard to Gourai's decision. The best legal authorities pronounce it contrary to law. His course is generally condemned.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—The Government is officially informed that fresh warrants have been issued for the arrest of the St. Albans raiders, and that the police are making every possible effort to prevent their escape.

The Postmaster General's estimate of the expenses for 1864 is $14,698,5.0.

The calendar of the House has already been cleared of public bills, leaving only those of a private character to be acted on.

The House to-day passed a joint resolution that so much of the revenue act as refers to tax or duty on cigars, is to be assessed on the real value or price for which the same shall have been sold or offered for sale is only to be deemed of evidence to enable the Inspector and Assessor to ascertain the value.

Conflicting Accounts as to the Taking of Savannah.

NOTHING OFFICIAL YET RECEIVED

GOLD MARKET.

&c., &c., &c.

NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—The order of General Dix yesterday, closed gold to-day firm, at 226. About noon, dispatches indicating the probable taking of Savannah were received, and the price fell to 224¼. The market is very unsettled.

The *Commercial's* Washington special says: It is confidently believed here that Sherman has occupied Savannah. It is reported that another scout has arrived from the Union army, reporting that the capture was effected on the 10th.

Washington, Dec. 15.—There is no positive news of the fall of Savannah. It is merely probable.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—The *Evening Telegraph* has just received the following special:

Washington, Dec. 15.—Another scout has arrived from Sherman's army with dispatches to the President. He reports that Savannah was captured on the 10th inst.

NEW YORK, Dec. 15.—The Petersburg Court *Journal* of the 9d, contains the following: On Saturday, November 1st, Count Puligo, Charge De Affairs of his majesty, the King of Italy, Baron De Oriere, the Belgian Minister of State, Mr. Sibley, President of the Western Union Telegraph Company, and Mr. Collins, an American citizen, had the honor to be presented to his Imperial Majesty.

FROM NEW ORLEANS.

Eddysville Occupied by the Rebels.

STEAMER FIRED ON BY A REBEL BATTERY.

CAIRO, Dec. 15.—The steamer Olive Branch, from New Orleans on the 8th, arrived with fifty-three bales of cotton for Cairo. She brings no news.

There was nothing doing in cotton, sugar or molasses.

The steamer Anna Jacobs, from Memphis, had 220 bales of cotton.

A steamer from up the Ohio River reports that the rebel Gen. Lyon and command have occupied Eddysville, on the Cumberland, with a force estimated from 2,000 to 7,000. They posted a battery on the east side of the river, three miles below the town, and opened on the steamer Nauvaluck, bound down, last night, but she ran past without serious damage. All the boats at Smithland have been ordered to the opposite side of the river, and gunboats sent to destroy the battery. Eddysville is the birth place, marriage and residence of Gen. Lyon.

STANTON'S BULLETIN.

Latest from Nashville.

HOOD'S ARMY ATTACKED BY GEN. THOMAS!

The Battle Not Decided!

OUR LINES ADVANCED FIVE MILES!

The Rebels Driven from Their Intrenchments!

17 GUNS AND 1,700 PRISONERS CAPTURED!

Hood's Whole Army Engaged!

WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, } December 16th, 11:30 p. m. }

Major General Dix: This Department has just received unofficial dispatches from Nashville, announcing that General Thomas, with the forces under his command, attacked Hood's army, in front of Nashville, at 9 o'clock this morning, and although the battle is not yet decided, the whole action to-day is described as splendidly successful. Our lines advanced on the right five miles. The enemy were driven from the river, from their intrenchments, from the range of hills on which their left rested, and forced back upon his right and center, and his center was pushed back from one to three miles, with the loss of 17 guns, and about 1500 prisoners, and his whole line of earthworks, except possibly a mile or his extreme right, which is now strongly attempt was made to dislodge him. Our casualties are reported to be light. Hood's whole army, except his cavalry, and a small force near Murfreesboro, was engaged.

(Signed,) EDWIN M. STANTON.

WITHIN CONGRESS—SECOND SESSION.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON CITY, Dec. 15, 1864.

On motion of Mr. Sumner, the President was requested to communicate to the Senate what information is on file concerning the arrangements made with Great Britain relating to the naval force to be maintained on the Lakes, under the 8th section of the Internal Revenue act of 1864.

Mr. Lane, of Kansas, moved that the Committee on the Conduct of the War inquire into the truth of the alleged employment of disloyal persons in different Government departments.

Mr. Grimes presented a petition from the cigar makers of Philadelphia that the tax be taken off manufactured articles and put on raw material. This was referred to the Committee on Finance.

Mr. Wilson presented a petition from officers of the army of the James, asking for an increase of pay, which was referred to the Committee on Military Affairs.

Mr. Chandler asked to call up the first resolution offered by him yesterday. He wished it to be referred to the Military Committee without debate. An inquiry was needed that it be referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations. If it took that direction he would have nothing to say; otherwise, he should speak on it. Chandler was willing that it should go to the Committee on Foreign Relations, and it was so referred.

Mr. Chandler then called up the second Resolution offered by him yesterday, and it was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations.

Mr. Brown offered the following, which was adopted:

Resolved, That the Committee on Military Affairs and Militia be and are hereby instructed to inquire into the expediency of so amending the Act of Congress of March 8th, 1792, entitled "An act to more effectually provide for the National defence by establishing a uniform militia throughout the United States," and the various acts amendatory to the same, as shall provide for the enrollment of all male citizens between the ages of 18 and 45, resident in the respective States, without respect to color; and also to enquire into such other provisions as may tend more efficiently to organize the militia system of the United States and report by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Chandler, the House bill to regulate commerce among the several states was made the special order for the first Wednesday in January next.

On motion of Mr. Sumner, the bill to transfer a gunboat to the Government of Liberia was brought up.

Mr. Powell opposed to the bill. He did not believe the Government of the United States ought to sell gunboats to other governments.

Mr. Sumner said that the bill was drawn up in accordance with the recommendation of the President.

The yeas and nays were demanded by Mr. Powell.

The bill passed—yeas 23, nays 9. Messrs. Buckalew, Carlisle, Davis, Harding, Powell, Riddle and Wright voted in the negative.

Mr. Foote moved that when the Senate adjourn it be until Monday next.

The motion was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Wilson, the several military bills which passed the House last session were taken up and referred to the Military Committee, with instructions to define the rank and pay of Chaplains in the army.

Mr. Anthony offered a resolution, which was adopted, instructing the Committee on the Conduct of the War to inquire into the facts in connection with the assault on Petersburgh on the 30th of July, 1864.

The Senate then adjourned until Monday.

HOUSE.

Mr. Holman moved a call upon the Secretary of War for information as to the discharge of enlisted soldiers, and also in regard to the letter addressed to Gov. Andrews relative to troops to fill up old regiments, and whether the principles of clergymen, if so assessed on the real value or price for which the same shall have been sold or offered for sale is only to be deemed of evidence to enable the Inspector and Assessor to ascertain the value