THE WAR FOR THE UNION

THE DEFEAT OF GENERAL EARLY.

New York, Feb. 5.—We have received the following special despatches this evening.

In the Field, Feb. 4, 6 P. M.—After six hours hard fighting, Colonel Mulligan drove General Early from Moorehed, and then sharply engaged General Rosser on the South Fork. We have met with signal and brilliant, success.

Headquarters in the Field, West Va., Feb. 5th.—General Early has been compelled to retreat up the South Fork of the South Kranch, owards the Shenandoah Valley, in consequence of the vigorous manner in which he has been attacked and Phrsued by General Kelley's forces

Our combinations have proved successful in defeating the enemy's designs. We have taken a number of prisoners, and have recaptured many of those taken from us. Our forces drove the enemy out of Petersburg.

The enemy have lost a large number of men by descriton, and deserters continue to come in. The occupation of the wires with military business precludes the possibility of sending a longer despatch at this time. THE DEFEAT OF GENERAL EARLY.

THE LATEST NEWS FROM KNOXVILLE.
The Inquirer has the following:
KNOXVILLE, Jan. 31, via CHATTANOGGA, Feb.
3.—I have reliable information from the rebel lines that General Longstreet has recently been heavily reinforced from Viginia and North Carolina.
Major-General Bushrod Johnson commands the right wire, and the younger Hill the left. He holds a live extending from Strawberry Plains to Sevierville. His army is in better condition than it has been for some time past, and every effort is being made by the enemy to strike heavy blows in this region. The enemy has been drawing his forces to Sevierville during the past two or three days, and a large army is now concentrated there.

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A large body of rebels have crossed the Holston river, and are now on the north bank, preparing to move down upon us. These men are very bold in their movements, and seem satisfied of their ability to push on successfully. In this design they may be defeated, as every preparation is being made to give them a warm reception.

Unfortunately for us the rebels succeeded in advancing cavalry and artillery north, on Saturday last, and succeeded in cutting off, our communications with our forces under General Parke, at Cumberland Gap. General Parke, by courier, aunounces that he is watching the enemy, and can hold the Gap for several mouths, if necessary.

A battle occurred at Tazewell, on Sunday last, which was in progress for some hours. The losses on both sides were severed and I am sorry to learn that the gallant General Orlando B. Wilcox was painfully, though not seriously wounded. He will be able to direct operations in an ambulance. In this affair our forces were repulsed, the rebels appearing in overwhelming numbers, having been reinforced at the critical moment. Our forces fell back to a good position, at nightfall, and have not since been mo'ested.

The rebels captured twenty-one men of the 4th Indiana (six months); fourteen men of the 8th In diara, and seven of the 23c Michigan. Five men of the 13th Kentucky (rebel) Regiment were picked up about five miles from this city.

Our total loss in the recent brilliant cavalry affair at Fair Gardens, beyond Sevierville, was about one hundred in killed and wounded.

The brive Colonel Leslie, of the 4th Indiana Cavalry, fell mortally wounded in this fight. We took one hundred and twenty-seven prisoners. We captured a fine battery of three English stel rifled guns. The Cavatry Division of General Kenner Garrard got cit off during the action. The leader headed his men, and led them on a wheeling charge through the enemy's columns, and successfully cut his way through them without serious loss. A large body of rebels have crossed the Holston

loss.
Matters here are growing big with portent events, and are already extremely exciting in their general aspect. Here we are in this devoted city once more preparing to stand another siege, which we trust Gen. Grant may make as disastrons as the one made last November.
Citizens and soldiers from the rebel lines agree in the statement that Longstreet has called for and is hourly expecting reinforcements from Johnston's Army in Tennessee, which is reported to be coming up through North Carolina, as well as overland.

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General Foster is in direct communication by telegraph with Generals Grant and Thomas. Both of these leaders are watching the movements here. General Foster is working hard, and so are his lieutenants, and there is no doubt expressed of our ability to carry out General Grant's orders.

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LATE FROM THE SOUTH.

The Richmond Sen inel of last Monday says that Commissioner Ould has lately gone to City Point, but found no one there authorized to make any arrangement with him as to the prisoners.

Two steamers, the Rex and Hercules, had run the blockade into Wilmington.

MOBILE, Jan. 30.—A special despatch from Okalona, Miss, says the 12th Mississippi entered Corinth this morning and captured a quantity of arms, &c. The Yankees left as they entered.

CHARLESTON, Jan. 30.—The bombardment of Sumter closed at dark. 150 shells were thrown of which 129 struck. The shelling was resumed this morning with 60,100 and 200-pounder Parrotts and a 10-inch columbiad.

The flag-staff was shot down vesterday, but was The flag-staff was shot down yesterday, but was replaced by the garrison under a rapid and accurate fire. The men repeatedly waved the flag in the face of the enemy, and waved their hats in triumph after hoisting the flag. The bombardment has continued all day, the fire being mostly directed against the western walls. Three personsonly had been wounded since the bombardment commenced.

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CHARLESTON, Jan. 31.—The enemy keeps up the bombardment of Sumter by day, but ceases it at night. No damage of consequence is done to at hight. No damage the fort.
The fire upon the city was renewed at 9 o' clock on Saturday night, the shots being directed against Sunter-every ten minutes, and against the city at intervals of five minutes.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The Committee of Ways and Means, to-day, agreed to the Senate bill increasing the pay of Custom House Inspectors one dollar per day. The bill will be reported at once, and passed at an apply day. bill will be reported at once, and passed at an early day.

The Board for examining candidates for officers in the Invalid Corps will hold their next session in Philadelphia in about two weeks.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 5, 1864.—The Select Committee of the House, who have the subject of emigration before them are preparing a bill in favor of granting pecuniary aid to induce emigration to the United States.

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The Board of Officers ordered by the Secretary of the Navy for the examination of candidates for admission to the United States Marine Corps, has been changed, since first organized, and is now composed as follows: Major John C. Cash, President; Capt. G. W. Collier, Member; Lieut. H. C. Cochrane, Recorder. Five candidates, between the ages of twenty and twenty-five, have succeeded in passing the Board, and have been recommended to the Secretary of the Navy for appointment. Several vacancies remained to be filled.

Lieut. P. G. Houston, U. S. M. C., is ordered to command marine guard of United States steamer Brooklyn, vice Capt. Grayson, detached.

Assistant Surgeon J. McD. Rice, detached from United States steamer Eutaw, and ordered to the United States steam sloop Richmond, at New Orleans.

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Lieut. McClellan Tilton ordered to command a grard to the United States steamer Glaucus.

Owing to the failure of the previous contractor, the Navy Department has taken precautions to have the work of raising the sunken vessels at Norfolk and vicinity faithfully performed and the offer must be accompanied by the guarantee of responsible parties that the contract will be executed if awarded. The vessels to be raised are the Cumberland, Congress, Merrimac, Raritan and Columbia; the small steamer Whitehall and the line-of-battle ships Pennsylvania, Delaware and Columbus.

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The Chief of the military detective force of this District reports that during the month of January sixty-two commissioned officers were arrested for various offences, and six hundred and twenty envarious offences, and six hundred and twenty en-listed men.

The Virginia Legislature, sitting at Alexandria, has indefinitely postponed the election of a United States Senator, in the place of Mr Bowden, de-

Stuart Gwynv, who was arrested on the charge of improper transactions in connection with the Treasury Department, was, atter thirty days' confinement in the Old Capitol Prison, uncondi-tionally set at liberty to-day.

THE FENIAN BROTHERHOOD-REPLY TO THE FENIAN BROTHERHOOD—REPLY TO
THE LATE EPISCOPAL ANATHEMA.
The Fenian Brotherhood had a meeting last
evening, at the new hall on Twelfth street, below
Chestnut, to vindicate the erganization from the
charge of secrecy recently made by Bishop Wood
The room was handsomely decorated with American and Irish insignia. The flag of the Brotherhood was displayed above the rostrum, alongside
a handsome engraving of Washington. Around
the walls were displayed portraits of celebrated
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Captain P. F. Walsh, late of the Army of the Potomac, who had been appointed to address the meeting upon the subject, was introduced by Mr. James Gibbons, who referred to Captain Walsh's gallantry on the battle-fields of the Union, and said that he was equally ready to sacrifice himself in behalt of a country no less dear to all Irishmen. The Fenian Brotherhood had resolved, come weal or woe, to do its best to lift up the dear old isle to her proper position ameng the nations; a position to which she was entitled by her bravery, patriotism, and virtues, to occupy forever.

Capt. Walsh defined the meaning of the word Fenian. It was the ancient name of the Knighthood of Ireland. That knighthood, like other orders of prosperous chivalry, was devoted to the maintenance of honor, virtue, and bravery among the people of the country. It was a noble order, and ought to be sustained as the embodiment of Irish patriotsmand virtue. The present object of the brotherhood, as it exists in the United States, is twofold, viz: to create among Irishmen feelings of unity

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and fraternity, without regard to sect or condition, and to crush the jealousies that exist among the Irish people; second, to declare boldly and emphatically that Ireland is a distinct nationality. In reference to the charges of the Brotherhood being a secret society, the speaker was very distinct. It was in no respect secret. Its meetings are open to every one who desires to be present. The object of the organization is openly avowed, and that is to reinstate Ireland, even at the cost of a long and bloody war against her oppressors. Ireland was conquered, butinever subdued. The spirit of nationality can never be wiped out, however much odium may be attempted to be placed upon the men seeking its perfection. The speaker named a number of Cetholic clergymen whose names were enrolled in the Fenian Brotherhood. The society could not be see et, otherwise those clergymen would not be members. The society have no oaths, signs, or grips. Their constitution and by-laws are free to inspection. 50,000 men have subscribed their names of membership in the United States, and in the British provinces and Ireland 150,000 men are enrolled. The Fenian Brotherhood had not yet established any line of conduct. It has not definitely declared that they must rerort to force of arms. So far, they have but exerted their energies to unite the people and form them to one sentiment. The organization had sent thousands of dollars to Ireland to alleviate the famines of that country. What harm had we done? said the speaker. None whatever; but the organization had done incalculable good. It had sent more soldiers to sustain the American flag than any other body. [Applause.] All of Corcoran's Legion, and the Irish Brigade, with nearly every Irish regiment in the American army, are Fenians. The Brotherhood had no great names to offer as members of the Brotherhood. It had the great heart of the Irish prople, and that is all they are seeking for.

The remarks were listened to with grean attention.

THE PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE. CLOSE OF YESTERDAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

The House proceeded to the consideration of the calendar of public bills.

The following were considered and acted upon: Anact giving the Court of Common Pleas certain powers in equity proceedings. Passed finally. An act making the number of pupils attending public schools the basis for the distribution of appropriation for common school purposes. Passed finally.

Supplement to act relative to roads, highways and bridges, Passed finally.

Supplement to act to amend and alter the fee bill, passed in 1821. Rejected in Committee of the Whole.

An act extending the jurisdiction of the Orphans' Court. Rejected in Committee of the Whole. Whole.

An act relating to certain duties between husband and wife. Postponed.

An act extending the provisions of the Mechanics' lien law to steam engines, &c., capable of removal from the ground. Rejected in Committee of the Whole.

Mr. Smith (Philadelphia) moved that the House asjourn, to meet at 6% o'clock on Monday evening. Agreed to. Adjourned.

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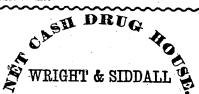
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