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Confederate States, but his men generally heliero that it was in consequence of General Pope's advance, and Price's fears that a force would be thrown forward to cut off his supplies southward, and another force advance in front, in which event his supplies would have been exhausted in a few davs.

He would thus have been compelled to abandon his strong position at Osceola.

Whatever the motive, it is certain that the move Was an unfortunate one for Price, for many of his mon who, for months, have been expecting to march un and drive the Federals from the State, will be disgusted, and refuse to follow him out of Missouri.

General Halleck's policy of showing no mercy to lawless bands of marauders and bridge-burners, and of dealing with the atmost leniency with those who lay down their arms and return to their homes,

will now do much to restore peace to the State. Full Particulars of the Capture of 1.300 Prisoners at Kirkpatrick's Mill, by Gen. Pope's Army.

[Special Correspondence of the Cincinnati Commercial.] SEDALLA, Dec. 20. We have this morning arrived once more at our

prairie camp, after a must glorious and successful compaign—the inost glorious in results, and the lightest in casualtics, which has thus far signalized our success in arms. We have, in brief, returned, after being out six days, with an aggregate of near 1,600 prisoners, incinding two colonels, Robinson and Alexander; one lieutenant colonel, name unknown; one mujor, Harris; about wronty enplains, and fifty lieutenants. In addition, we have taken near 1,000 horses, 70 wagons, 1.000 guns and frenear 1,000 horses, 70 wagons, 1.000 guns and fro-arms, besides large quantities of supplies, flour, ba-con. hams, powder, pickles, preserves, dothing. &s. We have, indeed, dealt a heavy blow to the robel Gen Price, who stands bidden, shiyering on the hanks of the Osage, learing to advance, and yet fear-ing that he may say day have to run. Since that great day, when the deathlese Lyon stemmed the torrent of their advancing arms with his little hand of natrice at Witner's

Lyon stemmed the torrent of their advancing arms with his little band of patriots, at Wilson's Greek, nothing has so disabled the rebels in Mis-souri. His despatches captured betray plainly the anxiety he feels concerning the safety of his men. His orders are to the various detachments to join him with all speed. There is in fact, good reason to believe that, had General Pope been allowed to continue his march, and if he had been supplied with another regiment of cayalry, ho might have forced Price into an engagement in which he would have been worsted, or sent him back is a hurry to the Arkansa line once more, But it is understood that General Hallock sent him peremptory orders that General Halleck sent him peremptory orders not to advance too near to Osceola, but to espuro the outlying recruiting parties and return to this pust. This would indicate not that we stand in by fear of Price, but rather that it is the inten-ion of General Halleck to entrap and not to

The necessary interest is entry and not of the second of the second of our expedition may be summed up briefly. The plan was matured between Gene-rals Pope and Halleck; and before the outside world suspected it, the division of General Pope was under orders to move. It consisted as follows: FIRST FRIGADE, ACTING BRIGADIER CEN. STRELS,

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Four companies regular cavalry, Col. Armory.

SECOND BRICAUE, ACTINA BRICADIER GENERAL JEPF. C. PAYIS, Eighteenth Regiment Indiana Volunteers, Col.

Eighth Regiment Indiana Volunteers, Colonel

Twenty-fourth Regiment Indiana Volunteers,

Lieutenant One battery First Missouri Artillery, Lieutenant

Klaus. One squadron First Iowa Cavalry, Major Tor-

Thee. The whole being under the immediate command of General Popo. The four companies of regular cavalry mentioned above must be understood to be only the fragments of the original companies, B, O, D, and E, and number in all, now, but a little over a hundred men. They are all under the command

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Company A .- Corporal E. Long, C. Cable, and J.

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had seceded from Nature, and the charms of that romantic dame were withered and unattractive. There was a pretty cedar grove up on a hill, where, it is said, two vindictive and love-smitten young midshipmen went out to fight, twenty years ago, one of them receiving a bullet in his heart and dying under its foliage, the other living a weary and miserable life, conscious that he had appeased his wounded honor and murdered his friend. I took a fancy to the grove, and often looked at it admiringly, as it crowned the sumanit of a pretty hill, and kept the sunshine from Col. Taggart's brave boys, who nestled on the slope. But is there no postry in war? The wintry days came rapidly, and the boys began to feel very cold, and the tall cedars, one by one, came down, until now they have passed into huts and ashes, nourish many a shivering guard, and keep away the snow and the rain and the tempest. Then there is the tent-life! It is difficult to become reconciled to six feet by eight, and canvas overhead, and yet the hogs like it, and they look brown and lusty, and have excellent appetites, and are in good fighting trim. I wish you could have taken dinner with ma to-day, or, rather, I wish you had been my fellow-guest. The table was a box, which bore presumptive evidences of having once contained glass, for there were large black letters under the coffee can expressive of a desire to be kept "this side up, with care." The tablecloth? Well, don't speak of it. Two knives and one fork, and the fork evidently deserving a pension for long and fuithful service. A bug of gats for the chair, and an imperative rule against taking off your hat. The kitchen is in front of the door, and if the smoke comes sweeping in, don't mind it, (for who can control the wind ?) but go on with your dinper. Tin is a very useful article. Tin cups for the coffee, the plates for the boof-steak, a tin bowl for the sugar, we have sugar! tin spoons and tin platters; to be sure the plate, bowl, spoon and platter, are nearly of a size and pattern, but don't be critical ! for as I said before, tin is a very useful article. You would have liked the beef-steak, and better coffee never came from the berry, and better milknow I remember there was neither milk nor butter, which nobody regretted, for we were nearly all from Chester county, and Chester county people either carry their butter with them, or go without. was a unique affair, although I could have wished that there had been boards on the ground, and the dessert had been something more palatable than sourkrout. I have been a great deal among the boys since the engagement at Dranesville, on Friday. They are in great glee, and are full of narratives of the day, its dangers, disasters, and glory. The camps are filled with trophies of the field-knapsacks cartridge boxes, cartridges, bullets, canteens, bayonets, letters, diaries, coats, clothing, buttons, caps, guns, fragments of a gun-carriage, which was hewed away after the rebels fled; pieces of shell, and in fact every possible object which could be converted into a memento. A private in the Twelfth Regiment was saved from death in a marvellous manner. A ball entered his body in the region of the groin. On its passage it struck a lea. thern purse, snapping the steel clasps, bending a five-dollar gold-piece like a thimble, and lodging in the fleshy part of the body. The resistance of the metal impeded the progress of the ball, and thereby saved his life, for it was subsequently removed, and the soldier is doing well. There were other incidents equally as miraculous, and every corporal's guard has a hero. The Bucktalls are in fine spirits, and claim the glories of the conflict. They are proud of their commander-the "fighting colonel," as they fouldy name him. I called in to see him last evening. He was alone it carries to us all in his tent, reclining on a buffalo robe, with a mass of papers at his side. I had seen him in the early part of the week, full of life, and health, and vigor, but his wound in battle had made a change. He was paler from the loss of blood, the right eye being slightly swollen, and a plain black patch extending along the check. Colonel Kane was shot in the check, the ball breaking a tooth. I am glad to know that no serious results are anticipated from his wound, and that he hopes to be in active command very soon. He still conducts the affairs of the regiment, although urged by his friends to rctire from the camp until completely restored to Among those slain by our forces was an old man, with long silvery hair, a private in a South Carolina regiment. He had a very fine face. His

to be seen. So, under the escort of my friend, the Captain, a party of us, well mounted, set forth upon our journey. Passing through the encampments of the Reserves, most of them in huts, and all of them being comfortably housed-passing the sleepy little town of Lewinsville, deserted and lonely, we very soon came to our picket lines. Here was a difficulty. It was cold, and, consequently, the sergeant of the guard was very surly, and disposed to obey his orders. We couldn't pass the lines. But we had business? He didn't care. We were loyal men? He hoped so; but in Virginia people couldn't trust to appearances. [A. sourching look at your correspondent, who was not in regimentals.] We would return in an hour or two? It made no difference. Other people had prossed the lines? That was none of his business. Then we couldn't go? Not if we had a pass from General McClellan-[with emphasis.] Not if we had a pass from Major General George B. McClellan? [A pause.] We might take the risk, but it would be his fault if we came back again, and it wouldnt be his gun's fault if we went very far ! There's such a thing as listening to reason; and so, not deming ourselves competent to test any question of jurisdiction at issue between the sergeant of theguard and the major general commanding, we twined around and came back again. This is not a sad life, friends at home! We have our jeys here-and there is as bright a side to life in Langley's as there is to life in Philadelphia or Lyconing. And it is not without a feeling of regiet hat we button up our great coats and say good ye to our friends in the tent, while our impatient horses await our coming outside-for we nust go to Washington. The captain is putting another stick of wood upon his little stove in the corby-his attendant is rumpling up the blankets and obthes, and getting ready for retiring-his clerk is crefully penning sonio forms under the provoking ficker of a tallow candle-the cook-(they have named him, in a jooular way, " chief of the subsistene department '')-is telling some strange and inordible stories, in broken English, about his advertures when in the regular army, and how he crossed the plains with General Albert Sidney Johnston and how he would like to shoot General Johnstonat the present time, although he liked him verywell when in Utah. A tall young man at the dooiis playing the fife, and around the camp-fire the compers of the guard are waiting for the relief. Ove all there is a feeling of comfort and content. Gool-bye, and you must come soon again and see us. We certainly shall. Good-bye, and wish them all a home a Merry Christmas ! Amerry Christmas ! we had almost forgotten, and jet it comes to us from the brave boys here in the eld. Oh friends, in your joys and merriment in yur reunions and happiness and glee, think of the allant fellows who are enduring privation for you ind your children; think of the gallant men who ire out in the cold hills of Virginia, that we may ill have a country-that our country may be honored among the nations of the earth. Many of themwill never again sit around the Christmas fire -may of them will leave only a name to be talked of to generations soon to come. A merry Christ-mas! How strange the greeting seems! God bless them all, brave hearts that they are-and when Christmas comes again, even as it is coming now, let it come upon a country restored to peace-a nations honor avenged-a people chastened and purifid-a Union secured, a Constitution maintained a republic embracing the sea-bound coasts now giding it from the tyranny and falsehood of the wild. This is the merry Christmas greeting I send on from the camps, and this is the meaning J. R. Y. The lucktail Regiment in the Battle of Dranesville. ndence of The Press.] CAMP PIERFONT, VR., Dec. 23, 1861. Pleasepublish the following statement of facts in regard i the operations of the Bucktail Regiment at the las battle of Dranesville, as all the accounts

I have rad need some correction. The Belstails were on the lead during our entire march ou, and did not start an armed Sesech until we hal sarched on the right of Drancsville about an how, and had returned and commenced searching for them on the left ; our skirmishers having found upm out, we immediately advanced in line of battle and had advanced as far as Thornton's house, or centre resting upon the house, when the rebel batery opened at the distance of about 350 yards apin our left flank, firing grape and canister, round shot and shell. They fired from the edge of a donse pine forest, concealed from view, except to hose directly in front. Here we were ordered to lie down, only answering with occabore traces of his blood. It was shown to me by a gional not from the house as any of the enomy soldier. The writing was in the small and timid | chancel to expose themselves to our marksmen.

was poured into the Kenthewins from the Jul in-fantry, regulars, U. S. A. The engagement then became general, and our four regiments, with Capt. Cutts' four guns, were soon actively engaged. The Yankees had every advantage of position. There were several houses along the Leesburg turnpike, and back of it a bill upon which their battery was placed Lower down and opposite the 11k was and back of it a hill upon which their battery was placed. Lower down, and opposite the 11th, was another battery placed in position to anfilade the turnpiko should we enter it. The main battery of six guns swept the road upon which we were ad-vancing, and kept up an incessant fire of grape, consister, and spherical case. The accuracy of their aim was remarkable, considering the rapidity with which the guns were fired. Capt. Cutts ge which the guns were fired. Capt. Cutts got three of his pieces in position, and returned the fire ra-pidly and successfully. Meanwhile, the enemy advanced savaral regi-ments of infantry, and, protected by the nature of the ground, came within a hundred yards of us, and forming in line, fired for some time, keeping the air futi of Minnie bulls, and finally attempted to charge. Three times the officers gave the or-der, and tried to get their men forward, but failed. They could not be pushed into the thicket. Soon after this the firing on both sides coased, but not before great damage was done to our force. For over an hour both sides had kept an incessant firing. The wounded and dead lay on every side, and the regiments were beginning to get scattered.

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Company A.—Corporal E. Long, C. Cable, and J. Parker—missing. Company B.—None. Company C.—Capt. Jo. Desha, wounded in eboulder; Corporal G. W Luit, wounded in leg; J. W. Brown, in arm; W N. Fishbeck, arm; F. G. Alexander, left on the field, supposed mortally wounded; John Mullin left on the field, severely wounded; John M. Borbee, mortally, in the head; J. W. Brown, dangerously, if not mortally wounded -received threeshots; Wm. B. Phelps, wounded in arm and breast; A. J. Thompson, in side; J. Cum-mines, in side; Geo Sims, in foot; Geo. Stump, Bightly; C. H. Stoner, seriously, if not mortally; M. L. Ashbury, in arm; J. W. Lair, slightly; G. W. Simpson, slightly. Company D.—Corp. Horrine, slightly; Private Smith, slightly, Private P. Hughes, and Gorp, Ro-bert Carr. and the regiments were beginning to get scattered. To give it a little more in detail: As our first advance were marching by the flank toward the Company E.-Killed, Corp. John M. Johnson; wounded, seriously, Noah J. Parsons-left on the field. Yanke o skimishers, two companies of the Eleventh Virginia were thrown out as skirmishers, and sont forward. Captain Houston's company charged the Yankees with a shout, and drove them in, and, soon after, the shout was taken up by others, and all advanced within sight of Dranesville. Comfield. Company I.—Wounded, Private Jas. Burham, slightly; W. Nelson, badly—not since heard of; missing, Dr. J. A. Barnot. Company K.—Wounded, Private J. B. West, badly; R. W. Leonard, slightly; missing, H. C. Kannesky pany A, of the Eleventh, was deployed on the right, but, by some means, got lost, and was separated from the regiment until the fight was over. When the enemy formed in line of battle, Col. Forney drew the Tenth Alabama up also, and pro-Kennesly. It is due to the 10th Alabama to say that they this constitute a number of wounded on account of their injuries being slight, and also all their missing, some thirty in number. As their wounded are con-stantly arriving, the list of this regiment will be considerably increased. Forney drew the Tenth Alabama up also, and pro-pared to advance upon them. The coolness and daring courage displayed by Colonel Forney was observed by everybody. He rode backward and forward in front of the line, anextitaglight is meny, and in getting all prepared for the coming strug-gle. The same can be said of Colonel Garland. Soon after the firing commenced, Colonel Forney was abot through the right arm, Lieutonant Colonel Martin was killed, and the command of the regi-ment devolved upon Major Woodward, who com-manded on one side of the road, and the senior cantain on the other. This regiment lost more The enemy seemed perfectly aware of the ap-Ine enemy scemed perfectly awars of the ap-proach of our party, and were prepared with an overwhelming force. Naverthaless they suffered geverely, and lost, it is reported by the citizeus of Dranesville, more than we did. We took two prisoners. This morning another force was sent out under Gen. Stuart, but has not yet returned. He took possession of the battle-tield of the day previous, and still holds it. He reports this evening the loss of the enemy much more heavy than ours, but I em unable at this carly date to get fuller particulrisoners. ment devoted upon hand a hand in a senior manded on one side of the road, and the senior espisin an the other. This regiment lost more than any other. The Sumpter Artillery was in the road, and had three guns in position. Only four pieces were out, and about sixty men. Captain Cutts and his men fought bravely, and suffared severely. The enemy's batteries played upon him for some time, and killed nearly all his horses, destroyed one limber, and exploded a caisson. Twenty-five horses were left dead upon the field. The guns still kept firleg, and did good execution -every shot scattering the Yankees, and telling upon them seriously. He succeeded in breaking their line, and in driving their sharpshooters from the house behind which they were hidden. When ordered to fall back, the pieces were taken to the lars. Capt. Cutt's battery did excellent service, and worked the guns under a hot fire from the enemy. He has since received the congratulations and He has since received the congratuation thanks of the generals. The Eleventh Virginia acted with great gallantry throughout the day, and every man had an oppor-tunity of having his courage tested. The regiment left home at 4 o'clock in the morning, marched thirty-five miles, fought a battle, and returned at 4 the next morning, being out twenty-four hours. BOHEMIAN. ordered to fall back, the pieces were taken to the rear by hand, with the assistance of the infantry. ordered to fail Data, the pieces were taken to the rear by hand, with the assistance of the infantry. Seeing the wagons safely to the rear, General Stuart gave orders to fall back to a better position. The regiment marched to the rear in good order, both sides having ceased firing. At this time Col. Tom Taylor rode to the right to see what disposi-tion had been made of his neighbors, and on re-turning found his regiment gone, and himself nearly surrounded by Xankee cavairy. Throwing himself down he eluded them, and afterward erept into a pine coppice, and remained there until dark, with Yankees on each side of him. At night he escaped, and joined his regiment this morning, sus-taining no injury beyond a slight scratch on the hand by a musket ball. Taking his force and awaited the enemy, but ho had enough of it, and was not disposed to give bat-Confiscations of Northern Property. CHICAGO, Dec. 25 .- The Memphis Appeal of the 19th says that property to the amount of \$2,500,000 has been already confiscated by the receiver, and this is only about one half of the amount of Northern property in our midst. Some reports have already been made of real estate, and many others are to report. The cost of taking the floating battery up the Mississippi to Memphis was \$120.000. The Mississippi Legislature have a plan under consideration to advance to planters twenty-five

draw up his force and awaited the enemy, but hu had enough of it, and was not disposed to give bat-tie again. Thus ended the battle at Dranesville, which, although disastrous to us, was more so to the enemy, if recent reports are true. It is be-lieved there were seven regiments of infantry, one of cavalry, and eight pieces of light axtillery even us. consideration to havance to planters twenty-nve dollars per bale on ootton. Propositions are also pending to charter banks based on cotton. In the same body a bank bill has just been passed which provides that the banks shall receive State treasury notes in payment of debts, and that the hotes of the banks shall be received for all public dues accord the Confedrate war for against us. The following are the casualties ;

ELEVENTH VIRGINIA, COLONEL GARLAND.

ELEVENTH VIRGINIA, COLONEL GARLAND. Company A, Rife Rangers, from Lynchburg-Private John Henry, killed accidentally. Company B.-Lieutegant T. B. Horton, wounded in the thigh; Private Walker Thurmond, wounded in the thigh, and missing. Company C.-Privates William H. Hobson, mor-tally wounded in abdomen; S. T. Franklin, wound-ad in thigh; Jokeph S. Rice, wounded in arm, slight; John B. Wood, both arms, slight. Company D.-Privates Melvin Gibbs, killed; W. Carpor, and James McDowel, wounded slightly in feet. A Mitual Anima. On the 11th and 12th instant, a panic prevailed in Nashville, in consequence of a report that Zolli-coffer's command had been surrounded and cap-tured, on the Cumberland river, by the Federal forces. This was about the same time that your readers were treated to runners of an impending annihilation of Shoepfi's brigade by Zollicoffer. Verily, there is a good deal of Chinese element mixed up with the history of this war. Company E .- None. Company F.-Private Robert Burt, slightly hurt.

It has been a puzzle to many how Price, without governmental resources, has managed to subsist a considerable AFEN in a country almost despined. His system is not known in the "regulations." He Company G.-Nonc. Company II.-Henry Golden, killed: Joseph Flowers, severe wound in knee; Geo. W. Rogers, His system is not known in the "regulations." He nover complains of a want of transportation, whether he is about to move ten miles or a hundred miles. He pays for what he takes in Missouri State serip. His men go into the corn field, shuck the corn, shell it, take it to mill and bring it into eamp, ground into meal. Or should they have no flour, they take the wheat from the stack, thresh it themedium as with hundred from the stack, thresh it

missing. Company I. — Captain James II. Jameson, shot through thigh; Private Judson Elmvey, shot through thigh. Company K. — Privates W. Campbell and James N. Painter, killed; Captain A. A. Yeatman, slight wound in the face from shell; Privates James L. Black, wounded in leg; James D. Johnson, severe wound through thigh; Peter Caryle, slight wound in head from shell. The following is the list of companies in the Eleventh Virginia engaged in the fight, with the

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Company A, Rifle Grays, from Lynchburg. Company B, Southern Guard, from Campbell

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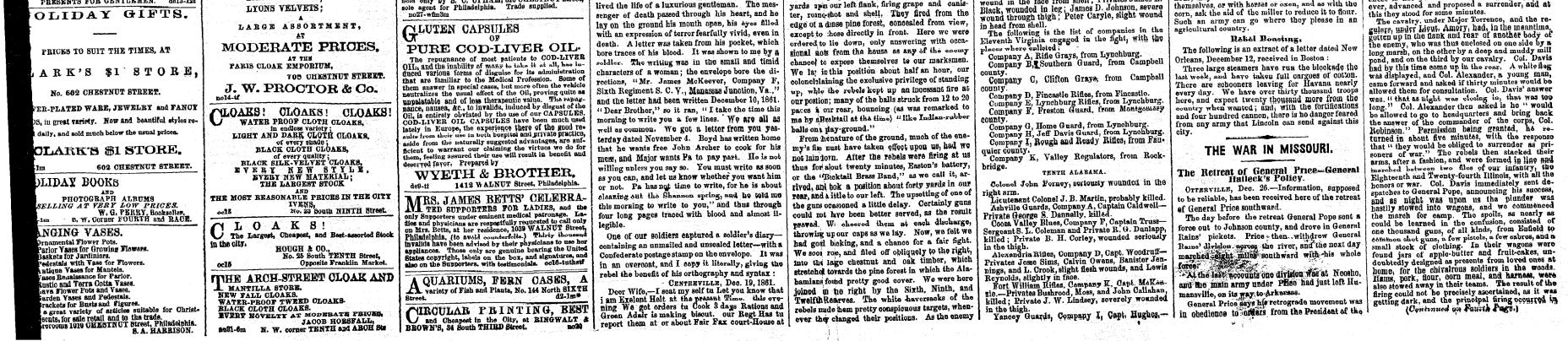
the Hon. John J. Crittenden.) The command started from Sedalia on Sunday, the 15th, and encamped at night eleven miles dis-tant, on the direct road to Clinton. The weather

The formulate started from because on boundary, the 15th, and encamped at night eleven miles dis-tant, on the direct road to Clinton. The weather was moderately warm for the season, and the road on the undulating prairies of the finest kind. The men were generally in fine spirits, and from the direction all supposed that we were destined for the stronghold of Price, at Osceola, acting as part of a grand concerted movement from four sides. Such, however, we found was not the case. The next day, Monday, we made a splendid march, all the men being in good marohing order. Twenty-six miles brought us, at sunset, at Shawnee Mound, in Henry county. Here the reports of various companies of rebels began to come a splendid fore bundred was heard of at a point about twelve miles northwest, and several smaller bodies directlysouth of us, from Clinton to Butler. Go-neral Pope then despatched his whole available force of cavalry, nearly seven hundred, before they had had three hours' rest, after the five hundred near Morristown, while our first cocked a hearty meal, and retired to a sound sleep just on the edge of one of the innumerable little prairies of which this region is composed. The cavalry under Lieu-ters, pushed on all night, and **9n** arriving at the rebel camp they found it vasated. The rebels had received warning, and had fled precipitately, leaving numerous evidences of their haste. The cavalry, notwithstanding their forty miles' con-tinuous march, pushed on all right, and **9n** arriving at the rebel camp they found it vasated. The rebels till they reached Ross Hill, picking up some twenty or thirty stragglers on the road, who, from ex-hausilon or sickness' had been dropped bekind. Droken wagons and jaded horses were left behind, and here and there a tent or barrel was thrown out to lighten their load. At Rose Hill the robols separated into several squads, as was learned from twe inhabitants, some twating the react. The fresh wagon tracks and footprints confirmed the report, and Golonel Brown had no other alt bis exhausted horses, and, finally, to make his way back to the main column next day, near Warrensburg. He brought in nearly one hundred pri-

soners. General Pope in the meantime kept advancing in General Pope in the meantime kept advancing in otheral rope in the meantime kept artabulg is a direction west of north to Chilhowie, a most im-portant point, being the contre of numerous im-portant cross-roads. This was near the site of that robel camp just referred to, and here our pickets brought in some few straggling men, who could give no satisfactory account of themselves, but whom we were certain were bound for Price's stray. whom we were certain were bound for Price's army, At Chilhawie we heard of a rebel force from tho north, and of the scouring of the country south of Clinton by Major Hubbard, of the First Missouri cavalry, which deserves separate mention. The direction of our forces Was at once east, towards Warrensburg. Report places their numbers as high as 1,500. That night (Wednesday) we camped two and a half miles west of Warrensburg. The re-ports wore again confirmed and magnified by a logal man, who was on his way to give us the infor-mation. He gave their location as at Kilpatrick's mill, on the Clear fork of Blackwater creek. (Mil-ford is the post office name.) Early, therefore, on Thursday morning, more prisoners having made ford is the post office name.) Early, therefore, on Thursday morning, more prisoners having made their way into our camp during the previous night, we started in the direction of Knob Noster, being directly south of the enemy. Colonel Merrill's Horse was ordered to take the direct road running parallel with the course of the Blackwater, so as to intercept them in ease they took a westora course.

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The Masterly Capture. The brigade of Col. Davis was placed in the ad-vance, with selders to keep well up to the Gavalry, a section of artillery being ready to support the cavalry upon a minute's warning. Gen. Pope, with the main body, kept due west for Knob Noster, so as to be ready to come up if necessary. Col. Davis, inding that the enemy was still in camp at Milford, diverged to the left, and put the regular cavalry under Lieut. Amory in the advance, the four com-panies of the First Iowa Cavalry, under Major Tor-renes, being next. On approaching the mill, our men discovered that the rebels were posted on the opposite side of the bridge across the mill-dam. renea, being next. On approaching the mill, our men discovered that the rebels were posted on the opposite side of the bridge across the mill-dam. Finding it would be dangerous to charge the bridge mounted, Licut. Amory ordered the men to dismount and skirmish with pistols and sa-bres, as infantry, the fourth man holding the horses of the other three. This they instant-ly did, and advanced under the lead of Lieut. (hordon, of Co. D, who bravely led the way-Some ineffectual skirmishing took place be-tween the regulars, who sheltered behind a barn on the south of the creek and the robels, who were on the north side. One of the robels was scen to fall; no one on our side was hit. During this interval the lows Car-alry filed off to the left, in the attempt to cross the stream higher up, but after vaning the streng merods the streak and muddy bottom for a mile, returned to find Lieutenant Amory charging arons the bridge, the robels having deserted it upon seeing Colonel Davis, with the artillery, ad-vancing. Lieutenant Amory followed the rowd, thinking that the rels might fibe to the nerth. Lieutenant Gerdon, immediately after him, dashed after some of the scattering energy through the wood and after ponetrating a faw rough. Lieutenant Gordon, immedfiately after him, dishod after some of the scattering enemy through the wood, and after penetrating a faw rods, received a volley from the enemy, whom he just then dis-covered formed in line. He formed in line as quickly as thought, and ordered his men to fire from their carbines, which they did, but with what effect is not yet known. One of the party, how-ever, advanced and proposed a surrender, and at this they stood for some minutes. The cavalry, under Major Torrence, and the re-gular under Lieut. Amory, had, in the meantime.



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