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Tennessee and the West.

There are no parts of the reports of the Secretary of War and General Halleck more interesting than those detailing the result of our military operations in Tennessee and the Western States.

We are inclined to look upon this statement as a specimen of gasconading on the part of the Richmond press, but, at all events, it shows that the country do not believe in the success of Davis in Tennessee in connection with the present contest.

It has been fought within its borders, Tennessee has severely felt the bitterness and anguish of this fearful war.

The North and South have marched and counter-marched, over its soil, and the great struggle at Corinth was more of a blow at Tennessee than at Mississippi, where it was fought.

The invasion of Kentucky was severely felt in Tennessee, and its roads and highways swarmed with guerrilla bands of brigandage.

These wild and ferocious adventures lined the underbrush and thickets on every side, and the crowing and roling of the wharves and the rattling of the gunboats and transport vessels.

The people of Nashville were blockaded for months, and all travel, commerce, and local intercourse were suspended.

The details of this siege, the attack upon the city by Morgan, the sufferings of the people, and its final relief, have, however, been told by our special correspondents, and any further reference is unnecessary.

Tennessee to the South is a nest of traitors. The loyalty of its people has been so firm, consistent, and unwavering, that it has become a thing of scorn and contempt to every thorough-bred rebel in the South.

In the mountains of the eastern counties loyalists are being driven to another, by banishment, confiscation, death, the pillage, the press, and the sword, have all been introduced to punish and oppress these loyal maintainers, but thus far all has been in vain.

We hear in Southern papers of outbreaks and disaffection, and bridge-burnings, and the like, and we are told that the people, accompanied by the vindictive and vindictive, are so characteristic of the Southern rebel.

But Tennessee still remains true, and loyalty lives and thrives in its mountain homes. In Nashville and Memphis the Union men are numerous, active, and we have many names to the credit of the coming elections they will choose loyal representatives to the Federal Congress.

They see that war has only been to them, death, ruin, and desolation. They do not see any real cause for the contest that has been forced upon them. They were dragged into the war, and they are now being asked to propose an armistice which should have the effect of raising the blockade?

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WASHINGTON.

Special Despatches to "The Press."

Expedition to Moltok Bay. Acting Rear Admiral Sir John Fremont, commanding the Navy Department report of Commodore Foxhall A. Parker of the particulars of his report.

On the night of the 22d ult. we got into Moltok Bay, and on the 23d we landed on the shore. The expedition into the waters of Moltok Bay, under the command of Commodore Foxhall A. Parker.

The Putnam, with a howitzer boat and a detachment of the 11th Maine, was ordered to remain on a similar expedition. Before returning the two together destroyed twelve sails and two hundred and twenty barrels of gunpowder.

Mr. Chase's Report. The New York Evening Post of yesterday has the following despatch from Washington: "There is no business yet before either branch of Congress."

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ARMY OF THE POTOMAC.

Surprise of a Company of the 8th Pennsylvania Cavalry by the Rebels—Captain Wilson's Charge and Attack on Cavalry Outposts.

At three o'clock yesterday morning, parts of two companies, numbering in all sixty men, belonging to the 8th Pennsylvania Cavalry, were surprised by the rebels.

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NEW YORK CITY.

THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE.

Our worthy Chief Magistrate's second annual message to Congress, delivered at the City Hall, on the 3d inst., has been received with much interest.

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EUROPE.

Public Amusements.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCE.

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