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The Cathedral Medal.

In commemoration of the completion and solemn opening of the Catholic Cathedral, to-morrow forenoon, Mr. A. C. Paquet, for many years artist and die-sinker to the Mint, has executed a superb medal. It measures more than three inches in diameter, and has been struck in various metals. In what is called white metal, strongly plated, it is sold by Mr. Bailey, the jeweller, Chestnut street, for $5, and is neatly put up in a neat velvet-lined case. The obverse, which is in very strong *relieve*, represents the principal façade of the Cathedral as it will appear when the two side towers are added to it. The inscription, in raised letters, is "Cathedral of St. Peter and St. Paul, Philadelphia. Begun 1846. Completed 1864." This is a bold and correct architectural design of a very magnificent edifice. The reverse shows the interior of the building, the dome partially exhibited, and the perspective terminating with the grand altar. There are two inscriptions here, in Latin: "Tu es Petrus, et super hanc petram ædificabo ecclesiam moam," and "Vas electionis est mihi iste ut portet nomen meum coram gentibus." This medal is worthy, in design and execution, of the solemn occasion which has suggested its production. Mr. Paquet, the artist, executed the medallions in the beautiful locket presented to Mr. Lincoln, this week, from Philadelphia, through the hands of the Hon. W. D. Kelley, and ranks as high here as Mr. Wyon ranks in England. Find the occasion, and Philadelphia will supply the artist.

Publications Received.

From J. J. Kromer, 403 Chestnut street, we have *The Illustrated London Almanack* for 1865. It contains many illustrations, viz: twelve fine-art engravings; twelve original designs heading the calendar; astronomical diagram of remarkable phenomena, printed in tints, and ferns and butterflies of the month, six plates printed in colors. The letter press is *a multum in parvo* of British statistics including the names of officials, calendar, stamp and other Government duties, bankers in the United Kingdom, abstracts of public statutes passed in 1864, list of the Queen's privy council, names of archbishops and bishops, obituary of eminent persons from August, 1863, to September, 1864, post office statistics, and a great deal of original information about astronomy and natural history.

We have the *Cornhill Magazine*, and also *Temple Bar*, for December, from Mr. Kromer. The former opens with "Armadale," Mr. Wilkie Collins' new story, which we read a week ago in *Harper's Magazine*. There is a good deal of interest. "Fanny and Daughters," Mrs. Gaskell's new novel, and not much more, except an essay on the education of middle-class girls in England, of decided interest and ability. The writer "goes in" for girls being able to solve mathematical problems, but does not recommend that they previously learn how to make bread, cook a mutton chop, and cut out and sew a shirt or their own dresses.

Temple Bar is a better magazine than the *Cornhill*. It has three serials now running through it: Miss Braddon's "Doctor's Wife," Mr. E. Yates' "Broken to Harness," and Mr. Byron's "Paid in Full." In this last is a chapter describing a dinner at Richmond, which, for truth, spirit, and quiet fun, has rarely been equalled. The old French story of "The Queen's Necklace" is told again—not so well as in Dumas' romance. Mr. Sala gossips, rather wearily, about his experiences in Russia; there is a sensible paper upon military occupations, amusements, and punishments, and, under the title of "Tripping it Lightly," an amusing writer relates how, for fifteen pounds, ($75,) he travelled, with pleasure and comfort, for a whole month in Europe, Paris, Switzerland, (including Mount St. Gothard and Lake Lucerne,) Lago Maggiore, Como, Milan, Venice, Verona, Florence, Leghorn, Genoa, and Turin, and might have included Rome and Naples in the tour, without further railway expenses.

We have, also, from Mr. Kromer, the principal English pictorials of November 5. From *All the Year Round* we learn that Dickens' Christmas story, to appear in London early in December, will be entitled "Mrs. Lirriper's Legacy."

Mr. Pugh, corner of Sixth and Chestnut, favors us with the New York pictorials.

T. B. Peterson & Brothers have forwarded "Oswald Cray," Mrs. Wood's new novel, which they publish to-day. It is as good, at least, as any of her previous works.

[For The Press.]

Battle of Cedar Run.

BY RICHARD COE.

Beaten, and in sad disorder,
Not a soldier heeds the order,
"Rally, rally for the right!"
All he cares for is for flight.
Down the valley of disaster,
Hurrying fast, and following faster,
Plunged each horse and urged each master.
Oh! but 'twas a piteous sight—
Custer, Merritt, vainly shout,
"Rally, men, and face about,
Stop this most disgraceful rout!"
All along the line they ran,
"Where, oh! where is Sheridan?"

Twenty miles away is he;
God! that such a thing should be.
Seated on his charger black,
Hastening to his army back,
Like the lightning in its course,
With a mighty torrent's force,
Onward sped his noble horse;
Clouds of dust were in his track,
Met by men bewailing flight,
"Pshaw," he said, "I'll fix it right—
Forward, forward to the fight!"
Along the line there ran
Words of cheer from Sheridan.

Ill befell to them that day,
That the rebels sought the fray.
Broke their shattered ranks and fled,
Leaving heaps of dying, dead!
Now, with shouts of joy and laughter,
Echoed back from heaven's own rafter,
Dashed their gallant troopers after,
Till the field with blood was red.
Soldiers hugged each other then—
Cried and laughed by turns again,
More like girls than stalwart men;
While along the line there ran
Cheer on cheer for Sheridan!

Who shall claim for him alone
All the victory as his own?
True, a man of stubborn will,
Joined with great chivalric skill,
After that his troops retreated,
Wounded, baffled, and defeated,
Had, upon his charger seated,
By his presence sent a thrill
Into every soldier's heart.
But the nation gave a start,
Moved as by electric dart;
While from lip to lip there ran,
"God and Philip Sheridan!"

GENERAL NEWS.

OIL ON THE CLARION.—There is at this time, says the Clarion *Banner*, considerable excitement along the Clarion river in regard to the oil prospect. Strangers from all parts of the country are pouring in and sites are being purchased every day. It is gratifying to us to know that at last there is a prospect of something to start our people and encourage them to make investments with a prospect of a speedy return. Parties from the Clarion to Ridgway, land is rapidly changing hands and purchasers are preparing to put down wells.

THE TAILOR BOY.—Boston: J. E. Tilton & Co. Let no one be beguiled into thinking that this work is a sober, dull biography, like those of the other "boys" on record. On the contrary, it is a fresh, spirited story, running over with fun and generous, loyal sentiments, to which a slight measure of doubt as to whether any part can be veritable history adds piquancy.—*Boston Journal.*

OUR readers remember that on the 29th of June last an adventurous gentleman set sail from New York in a small boat hardly big enough for safe navigation on the river, with the intention of proposing to cross the Atlantic. The New York papers generally made quite a sensation out of the event, as it brought into full understanding was *highly* commendable. Nearly five months have elapsed, and nothing has been heard of the "Vision," which has probably gone to the bottom of the Atlantic, with all on board, two men and a dog. If men have a relish for danger, there are plenty of ways which are legitimate, honorable, and useful, in which there is peril enough to satisfy the most resolute.

THE LATE CHIEF JUSTICE TANEY is said to have had no faith in the war as a means of restoring the Union, and looked with gloomy forebodings on the future. This assertion seems to be corroborated by a letter which appears in the New York correspondence of the London *Times*. This letter, which the correspondent states was written a year before, says the "times are dark with evil omens," and hopes that this "generation may live to see days of law and order return," intimating at the same time that he scarcely believes they will.

THE Pittsburg papers inform us that McKean Buchanan and his daughter, who were recently playing in this city, is now in that city, meeting with great success. Some of the Pittsburgers rather fulsome in their praise, *vide* this from the *Post*: "They are esteemed by all who know them as great actors, combining the extraordinary gifts of nature rarely bestowed on man—splendid appearance, graceful action, musical and well-educated voice, unquestionable intellect, refined by study and high art."

On Thursday afternoon a lady was crushed to death between a car and the station platform, on which she was alighting. A plank had been thrown out from the car, which was old-fashioned, with a door in the centre, and the train starting just as she stepped on the plank, she fell to the earth and lost her life.

A LARGE quantity of fixed ammunition was lately sent to Fort Porter, Buffalo, and while temporarily deposited in the hall of the officers' quarters some drunken fool stuck a lighted candle on the top of one of the ammunition boxes, and before it was discovered it had burned down and set the lid of the box on fire. An officer extinguished the flames just in time to prevent a fearful explosion.

An immense arm-chair has been made at Norfolk, by one of the contrabands belonging to the navy service, for the National Sailors' Fair at Boston. It is made wholly from sunken ships, has miniature guns for arms, and is altogether one of the most novel articles contributed to the Fair.

TWO SICILIANS, in New Orleans, recently fought a duel about difference in business matters, and one killed the other. They fought in a small wood, near Algiers, across the river, with pistols, bayonets, and knives. One was killed, and the other, who was discovered lying on the landing faint from loss of blood from wounds, died the next day.

IN New Orleans they have cars for colored persons distinguished by a star. White persons can also ride in these cars, if they will, but they are not permitted to object to the presence of the other race.

ROBERT J. WALKER, whose name has been used in his despatches in connection with the Secretaryship of the Treasury, is said to have been the author of the tariff of '46.

THE Governors of all the Northern States have appointed the 24th of this month as a day of thanksgiving.

THE INDIAN WAR.

GEN. POPE'S REPORT.

The *Army and Navy Gazette* for this week publishes General Pope's official report of the operations against the Indians. The document concludes thus:

The peace which will be made with Indians under the instructions I have given to Gens. Sully and Sibley is based simply upon the understanding that the Indians on the one hand behave themselves and do not molest the whites, and on the other hand that the whites shall be made to deal fairly with the Indians and not molest them in any way. The military authorities undertake to enforce good conduct on both sides, and will have the power, if not interfered with, to do so thoroughly. As such a peace involves neither annuities nor presents, and holds out no prospect in violating it except hostilities, it will probably be lasting. Hitherto it has been the practice to accompany every treaty of peace made by Indian agents with expensive presents of goods and supplies of various kinds, and the Indians naturally understand that these are given them as bribes to keep the peace, and because the whites are afraid of them, and of course will observe such treaties only as long as they find it convenient, or until they need a further supply of presents, (ammunition, goods, &c.) In fact, it has been for years a saying with the Sioux along the great mail route to California, that whenever they became poor, and needed blankets, and powder, and lead, they had only to go down to this great mail and emigrant route, and kill a few white people, and there would be another treaty of peace which would supply all their wants.

It is beyond question that such a system of treaty-making is, of all others, the most impolitic, whether negotiated with savage or civilized people, and leads in either case to constant and increasing hostilities.

I intend settling a peace with Indians in this department to do away entirely with this system, which, aside from its effect in stimulating and encouraging breaches of treaties of peace, is always attended with fraud upon the Government and upon the Indians.

I shall send up in the spring some companies of cavalry to make a cantonment for the summer at some point on the lake, and to remain there until the last possible moment in the autumn, with the view of drawing the various tribes of Indians to that point, and furnishing them with facilities of trade during the summer and autumn. Such a cantonment, kept up for two or three seasons, will have a most beneficial effect upon the Indians, as all whites, except authorized traders acting under the supervision of the military authorities, will be prohibited from going into that region.

It is proper to remark that extensive strata of excellent coal have been found at Fort Rice, one vein six feet thick. This coal field extends toward the southwest, and it is supposed outcrops on the slopes of the Black Hills. How far north it extends is not yet known. The existence of this great coal-field half way between the great Lakes and the Rocky Mountains is a fact the value of which cannot well be over-estimated. Aside from furnishing fuel for the navigation of the Upper Missouri River, it is a *controlling* element in the location of a railroad across the great plains to the Pacific.

Its extent and character will soon be developed by the troops from Fort Rice and other points on the Missouri River.

I may state, finally, that the Government may safely dismiss all apprehensions of Indian wars in the Northwest. Small Indian raids there doubtless will be, as there always have been, for stealing horses, but no hostilities on any considerable scale are likely again to occur. A small force, such as is designated in this report, will be quite sufficient to protect the frontier and the emigration.

Gen. Sully, commanding District of Iowa and the Indian Expedition, Gen. Sibley, commanding District of Minnesota, and Gen. T. O. H. Smith, commanding District of Wisconsin, have my thanks for their valuable services and the cordial good feeling which they have manifested during their entire term of service in this department.

To General Sully I particularly desire to invite the favorable consideration of the War Department. His arduous and distinguished services in organizing and conducting the Indian expedition, and beating and dispersing the combined tribes of Indians in two considerable battles, at such remote points, and in so difficult a country, and in thus bringing the Indians to the necessity of asking peace from the Government, entitle him to peculiar consideration, and make it proper for me to renew the application heretofore transmitted for his promotion. He has earned it fairly, and I truly and believe that the Government will not hesitate to confer it upon him.

To the report of Gens. Sully and Sibley and to those of their subordinate commanders, which give details of the various military operations herein sketched, and for a proper representation of the distinguished conduct of the several officers, and of the troops under their command. I cheerfully endorse their recommendations in behalf of the officers and soldiers in question.

I am, General, respectfully, your ob't servant,
JOHN POPE,
Major General Commanding.

A New Piratical Plot.

REBEL PIRATES COLLECTED AT HAVANA—PROPOSED SEIZURE OF CALIFORNIA STEAMERS—DISCOVERY AND FRUSTRATION OF THE SCHEME.

The New York *Times* of yesterday gives publicity to the following statement:

We have been in possession for some time past of highly interesting and important information, derived from Havana, in regard to a proposed rebel plan for capturing American passenger steamers upon the Pacific ocean. Hitherto we have refrained from giving the facts publicity, but a premature announcement should tend to defeat measures that had been taken to frustrate the plot, and arrest the parties thereto. Now that any danger of that sort is over we are at liberty to show how narrowly we have escaped the necessity of recording another Roanoke affair, only on a larger scale, upon the waters of the Pacific.

The details of the plot in question were consummated at Havana some time since, under the approval of S. R. Mallory, the Confederate Secretary of the Navy. Its leader and manager was Thomas A. Hogg, holding a commission in the rebel navy as master, who with a party of from sixteen to twenty men, left Havana for Panama, New Grenada, the last of September or first of October, for the purpose of getting on board the Panama Railroad Co.'s fine steamer Guatemala, seizing her at sea, and then using her as a pirate vessel to capture steamers of the Pacific Mail Steamship Company, plying between Panama and San Francisco. The party were all well armed, and abundantly supplied with ammunition concealed in their baggage. They were to take passage on the Guatemala for different Central American ports, to avoid excite suspicion. Hogg was to go on board first, carrying his baggage, which was to contain nothing suspicious. If it was not searched, his followers were to convey on board their trunks substantially, with the arms and ammunition concealed in them.

The seizure of the vessel was not to be attempted until she had got to a point upon the Central American coast, some twenty miles from Panama, where there was no danger of falling in with a cruiser, or with any craft that could give notice of the change of command of the Guatemala when it had been effected. No serious difficulty was apprehended in taking possession of the Guatemala, as her officers were not likely to anticipate any danger, and were expected to be found entirely off their guard and without the means of resistance in their hands.

The Guatemala carries two guns for her own protection from privateers. Relying upon these for offensive purposes, the pirate party intended to cruise for the passenger and specie-carrying steamers of the California trade, until they had captured at least one of them, with which, probably, they would have escaped a trip across the Pacific and Indian waters, provided they could obtain the necessary coal by capture of some one of the colliers constantly engaged in carrying steamer supplies of fuel to Central American ports, Panama, Acapulco, San Juan del Sur, and San Francisco. Ultimately the conspirators hoped to follow up their success by proceeding, in the Guatemala, to the coast of Northern California, and there making a raid against San Holiday's line of steamers between San Francisco, Oregon, and British Columbia.

Fortunately, the scheme was discovered by some means, and we presume information must have been sent direct from Havana to the Isthmus, in time to frustrate the execution, as we hear, on private authority from Panama, that the parties known to be implicated were all there and at Aspinwall, as late as the 4th of this month, and were known to the United States consuls at both places, to the commanders of the Panama Railroad Company's steamers, and to the United States naval comm