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The Conviction of the Conspirators.

When President JOHNSON issued his proclamation stating that "it appears from evidence in the Bureau of Military Justice" that the assassination of ABRAHAM LINCOLN was "incited, concerted, and procured by JEFFERSON DAVIS" and his agents in Canada, the country was startled by this fearful charge; the rebel sympathizers ridiculed it as utterly unfounded; THOMPSON, SANDERS, and TUCKER denounced it in the most positive terms as a base scheme to villify and punish their "most Christian President;" and few loyal men supposed that our Government would be able to obtain satisfactory proof of its assertions. The result has fully vindicated not only the wisdom and justice of the proclamation, but the form of trial adopted. A crime so monstrous and of such fearful import had been committed that the whole civilized world stood aghast, and we are daily receiving in this age of steam, the expressions of sympathy which it evoked in remote nations. Nothing would have suited the real criminals better than to have had their hired assassins tried in the ordinary criminal court, where, under strict rules of evidence, the mere question of the guilt of their PAYNES, ATZEROTTS, HEROLDS, and SURATTS would have been considered. An authoritative, comprehensive, and sweeping investigation would have been simply impossible under such circumstances; and the last desperate crime which the leaders of the rebellion crowned a long career of atrocious infamy might have passed into history as the plot of a few insignificant hot-headed zealots. The credulous might still have been convinced by the impudent and pompous missives of the Canada murderers, that they were all "honorable men," of pure and untarnished characters, who had merely indulged, in a very gentlemanly way, in an ardent support of a favorite political idea of State Rights, but whose hands were unstained by a single deed of brutal guilt. Their "Christian President" might still have been held up as a type of chivalric virtue, and as a hero of unsullied soul.

But the vigilance of the President, the Secretary of War, and the Judge Advocate General, has enabled the American people to understand the true character of their foes; and it has taught foreign nations the real nature of the men upon whom their sympathy has been lavished. The leaders of the rebellion are not merely defeated, but they are disgraced, dishonored, and convicted throughout all Christendom. For those who are punished, none of the glory of martyrdom will be reserved. Those who escape can win none of the respect which awaits brave soldiers and statesmen unstarnished fame when they are overcome by superior numbers or adverse fate. They have been dragged down from the pedestals on which they courted admiration to the lowest levels of criminality, differing only from common thieves, incendiaries, pirates, and murderers, in the number and atrocity of their crimes.

The suppressed testimony fully explains the reasons for a few secret sessions. Three men who had been admitted into the counsels of the assassins described the most minute particulars of their horrible plots, as they perilled their lives by their disclosures. Like the powerful old bands of robbers, the conspirators were determined to punish betrayal with death, and even in their ruined condition they might well be feared by witnesses whose testimony confirmed them to lasting infamy. During the progress of the trial every species of indirect testimony that could well be imagined has been adduced to prove their complicity; and now all doubts are cleared away by the direct statements of three men, who were personally unknown to each other, and who, at three separate examinations, sworn positively to the guilt of the parties named in the President's proclamation.

The Lee Testimonial!

It is said to have been stated in an English newspaper (we have not seen the original) that "the members of Parliament intend to invite the Confederate General LEE, of Virginia, to reside in England, and will subscribe sufficient to give him an income on which he can live handsomely." As an income of not less than $10,000 per annum, which is the interest of $250,000 at four per cent., would be required, at least, it is evident that the subscribers will have to open their purses and hearts very widely. When COBDEN, the great champion of cheap Bread, overcame all opposition, and brought over even PEEL to the cause of free Trade, a national testimonial was subscribed and presented to him—not by members of Parliament, but all over the British Isles, under the influence and overpressure of the Anti-Corn Law League—yet it did not amount, all told, to $350,000. When the British people, grateful to ROWLAND HILL for having introduced the Penny Postal system, the great social reform of the age and country, desired to reward him, national gratitude also took the substantial form of hard cash, only $65,000 was the sum total. It is not very likely that there will be a *national* subscription in England to give LEE, the rebel General, the means of living there, as a gentleman, and it is certain that "the English members of Parliament" will not do it. There are six hundred and fifty-eight such members. If each of them made a *pro rata* subscription, it would require $380 per man to raise the $250,000. But, it may be doubted whether as many as fifty out of the whole number have sympathized with the rebellion, and would pay. Say fifty, and the tax upon each would be exactly a thousand pounds. We doubt whether twenty-five out of the fifty could raise that amount for their own need. The blockade-runners, and pirate-patrons, and sympathizing cotton-brokers, who have suffered severely from the sudden collapse of the "Confederate" bubble are not in a position to subscribe towards keeping LEE in clover: for many of them have sank into bankruptcy, and more are trembling on the brink of insolvency and ruin. Even that bold Anglo-Norman baronet, Sir HENRY BOLD HOGHTON, of Hoghton Tower, Lancashire, who has subscribed handsomely for pirate-outfits and similar purposes, can do little or nothing for LEE, seeing that he invested his loose cash in Confederate Bonds, to the amount of two or three million dollars, and is likely to be "had up" until these securities, which are truly *invaluable*, are paid off—on Tib's eve, a period, Scottish proverbs tell us, which never arrives. Besides, there is a great difference, in England as in other places, between promise and performance. When "Stonewall" JACKSON was killed in battle, there were public meetings in London and Liverpool to raise $75,000, which was to supply a statue of the deceased rebel, as a perpetual ornament for the city of Richmond. Speeches were made, resolutions passed, subscriptions made (*on paper*), advertisements published, artists spoken with, and yet, Richmond, to this day, has not received the promised statue. The artist declined commencing his operations until he had part of the payment in advance and good security for the remainder, and the project vanished into thin air. So, we suspect, would be the end of the project for giving LEE a permanent liberal income in England.

There will be a general election for Members of the House of Commons in a few months, and the gentlemen who sympathized so warmly with the rebels, will have need of their money to secure their own return. We all know what corruption and drunkenness, bribery and perjury, are in the ascendant at every General Election on the British islands. "Free and independent electors" are to be found, on the polling-day, lying in barns, out-houses, pigsties, and even on the streets, and frequently have to be pumped over and drenched with cold water to enable them to go to the poll and vote for the candidate who has given, or promised the highest price, for their "most sweet voices." As a contested election runs up from $25,000 to $500,000, it can readily be imagined that "*the* members of Parliament" who might be expected to sigh for the society of LEE, the rebel general, will have too much need for their money to be able to spare any of it for *him*.

Nor, indeed, if the necessary money were to be raised, is it quite certain that LEE will be present to accept and profit by it. We do not know, as yet, whether LEE will be permitted to leave this country until his character and conduct have been subjected to a close examination. He may, or he may not, have been cognizant of the damnable conspiracy of the Confederate Thugs down at Richmond, in which JEFFERSON DAVIS and his Executive associates seem to have been deeply involved. But, besides this, plain persons, who possess ordinary common sense, find it difficult to divest themselves of the idea that LEE, in command, close to Richmond for such an extended period, *could* not have been ignorant of the horrible maltreatment of Union prisoners in the Libby prison, which was close to his face, as we may say. We do not like to anticipate—but it is allowable to consider probabilities, and it may become a question how far, by not objecting to them, LEE sanctioned the ill usage, starvation, and tyranny to which our prisoners were the victims, and too often, the sacrifices, in Richmond! We think, with DARWIN, that

"He who allows oppression shares the crime."

There need not be much apprehension that, even were LEE at liberty to leave this country to-morrow, he would be made much of abroad. The character of the late rebellion is properly estimated in Europe, and those who were prominent in the perjury, treason, and cruelties it involved are scarcely likely to be favorably received anywhere. Least of all will England, which prizes loyalty above all public virtues, look with friendly regard, upon any American traitor. "Southern Chivalry" is at a great discount in Europe.

ANOTHER PROGRESSIVE MOVEMENT.—We see by our Virginia exchanges that there is a movement in progress in that State to alleviate the condition of the negroes. The initiative was taken by the General Baptist Association of Virginia. This body is very influential, having in the city of Richmond alone eight churches, with nine thousand communicants. Resolutions have been proposed looking towards the instruction and evangelization of the colored people, and we judge, by the remarks of several gentlemen, that the work will receive their hearty co-operation, although they seem very jealous of the efforts that have been made in the same cause by the Baptist Home Mission Society.

The next movement is confined to the farmers of Virginia. Representatives of this class of the counties of Goochi-nd, Louisa, Albemarle, Caroline, Orange, Hanover, and Fluvanna, held a Convention at Louisa Court House, on Thursday last, and agreed on a scale of prices to be paid for negro labor. Field hands are to receive five dollars a month, the negro to buy his own clothing and pay the doctor's bills. During harvest the compensation to be allowed will be one dollar a day. Although we think five dollars a month (board included, of course) is too small a compensation, yet we hail the movement as a good omen indicative of further progress in the same direction in a very little while.

SHERMAN AS AN ORATOR.—It seems to have been a matter of impossibility for the New Yorkers to get a satisfactory speech out of General Sherman. He would appear to have had enough talking, on his appearance before the Committee on the Conduct of the War, to indispose him from general speechmaking. At the Union Club Rooms, on Saturday evening, he made a very brief speech, and to the clamors of the multitude who surrounded the club room, eager for a talk, he responded simply in the following words:

"I cannot make moonlight stronger than it is, neither do I wish to exhibit myself by gaslight. [Laughter and cheers. A lamp was here brought out, which, being held before Sherman's face, gave him plainly to the crowd.] I know you all want to see me. Take a good look now, and imagine the rest." [Cheers.]

It must be admitted that General Grant's friends partake of the great leader's personal characteristics, in not being addicted to oratory.

MISTAKES OF NEW YORK EDITORS.—A gentleman who is without any very distinct idea of modern American history, might not unreasonably become as confused in his ideas respecting it, by reading the New York papers, as he formerly did on foreign affairs, after his perusal of the celebrated article on "the Elbow of the Baltic," in the leading Journal of our sister city. As an example, we will offer the following paragraph in an account of the interview between Generals Scott and Sherman, published in the New York *Herald*:

"I thank God that you have lived to see this day, and that I, too, have lived to see it, if were the first words uttered by the good old hero of Lundy's Lane and Mexico to the grand conqueror of Lookout Mountain, Mission Ridge, and Chattanooga.

This will serve to correct to the stunt many of his previously erroneous ideas. He may have fancied that Grant commanded Baldy Smith had planned, and Hooker had fought. But what of it? Sherman was the hero of Lookout Mountain and Mission Ridge, according to the editor of the *Herald*, as undoubtedly and clearly as it has already been settled that the "Miscio" has "elbows."

EMANCIPATION IN KENTUCKY.—Freedom is making rapid progress in Kentucky. Ex-Governor Beriah Magoffin is about to stump the State in behalf of the Constitutional amendment, and the Louisville *Journal* continues to be an earnest advocate of the same. There is reason to hope that the next Legislature will have enough advocates of the measure to carry it through both houses. Magoffin, it will be remembered, was the Governor of the State at the opening of the rebellion, and was a bitter secessionist. Truly our victories have made some queer changes both in men and things. A whilom blatant rebel, a rabid Abolitionist!

PERSONAL.

— Gen. Sherman visited West Point on Monday, and was conducted over the grounds and through the Academy. He had an interview with General Scott, which is said to have been peculiarly impressive and agreeable. An account says:

"I thank God that you have lived to see this day, and that I, too, have lived to see it," were the first words uttered by Gen. Scott, "and you have gone through it all unhurt."

"Except one slight scratch, hardly worth mentioning," replied Sherman.

"I am glad to see you here to-day unhurt," was the reply. "You have made a great name, sir; you looked the back of the rebellion, sir."

Sherman goes to Chicago, thence to his home in Ohio, where he will remain about a month.

— General Grant and staff are expected to arrive in New York to-day. Rooms have been provided at the Astor House, where the public will have the chance to shake hands with the General. He will attend the great meeting to be held to-night at Cooper Institute to sustain President Johnson's Administration, the company, it is expected, will be headed by Generals Thomas, Terry, and Logan. West Point will afterwards be visited, and then, like Sherman, Grant will go to Chicago to be present at the Sanitary Fair.

— A writer in the New York *Express* from Ballston Spa, thus speaks of an eccentric fellow, name unknown, who goes about the neighborhood, attracting much attention:

"He goes about in an elongated brown linen Raglan reaching to his Masenta slippers. His broad-brimmed straw-hat covers a head of long hair, combed behind his ears. Ever since the snow disappeared he has been intently occupied arranging large pieces of bark in every conceivable shape in the grounds about the old Sans Souci. Sometimes he completes a bark pyramid twenty feet in height, and he builds an immense catafalque, and now he is busy erecting a derrick of bark, and perhaps will sink a well. He is a singular composite, and will no doubt attract as much attention this summer."

— General Lee has not yet been arrested, despite hints to that effect from many quarters. He is still in Richmond with his family, who, according to a Richmond letter, are thus situated:

"The General and Mrs. Lee are here, and have not yet determined what to do. Rooney, Robert, and John Lee are at the White House, where, with the assistance of a servant, a white man, and former body-servant of Rooney, when in the army, they have already put in forty acres of corn. They had never at first, and I do not know whether they have now, a roof over their heads."

The friends of the General are putting forward various theories to account for his defeat and surrender, and keep a color on their assertions of his great military ability. They say:

"It was the attempt to hold Richmond, (against General Lee's better judgment), and the fatal obstinacy of the President with regard to Johnston, that ruined us. General Lee's army was demoralized by remaining in the trenches around Richmond and Petersburg. He said if his army had been faithful to him, he would not have been forced to surrender; but they deserted by regiments on their retreat from Richmond. Many were shot for it, but it had no effect."

"Ifs" and "buts" matter not now. Results are sufficient commentaries on his talent and "astute generalship."

— Mrs. Lincoln is now temporarily residing at a country seat, five miles out of Chicago.

SECRETARY STANTON.

His Relations with the President---His Tenure of his Position.

Authoritative Contradictions of Unfounded Reports Concerning him.

ANOTHER ATTACK DEFEATED—MORE FALSEHOODS EXPOSED.

[Special Despatch to The Press.]

WASHINGTON, June 6, 1865.

The following appears in the New York *Tribune*, of Tuesday, and is copied into the Philadelphia *Evening Bulletin* of the same day:

WASHINGTON, June 4—It is reported on good authority to-night that Mr. STANTON has resigned. This is not positively confirmed, but it is known that he has determined to leave the Cabinet very soon. There is a report afloat that the decision has been assisted by a violent collision between the President and the Secretary, both strong-willed men, in which the latter indulged in his brusque manners, and the former took occasion to inform him that he (ANDY) was President of the United States. But it is said that there is not much in this, for the President assured a major general yesterday that the separation about to take place was only induced by the press and not by any feeling of disagreeable labors. Mr. STANTON has been offered the position of Minister to Berlin, but the place is not deemed of sufficient importance. If his resignation be not already in the President's hands, it will be shortly.

There is *not one word of truth* in the above statement. Mr. STANTON has not resigned—has not determined to resign, and is not prostrated by his exhausting labors.

This contradiction is made on the authority of Mr. STANTON himself. There has been no collision (violent or otherwise) between the President and Secretary.

And the President made no such remarks to a major general, or anybody else, in regard to Mr. STANTON, as above quoted. The Secretary has been in his usual state of health, and has enjoyed the full confidence of the President JOHNSON and Mr. STANTON. Their relations are of the kindest and warmest character. This contradiction is made on the authority of President JOHNSON himself. The efforts to destroy the fearless Secretary of War in the confidence of the President are thus again exposed and defeated. O. P. Q.

THE TRIAL OF JEFF DAVIS.

The Judges who will Preside—The Place where the Accused will be Confined during his Trial—General Facts—His Counsel.

[Special Despatch to The Press.]

WASHINGTON, June 6.

The *Star* of this evening says that notwithstanding the published statements that Davis has arrived here or is on his way, it is quite certain that such reports are unfounded. It is not contemplated to bring him to this city until the conspiracy trials are over, which will probably be in a week. The Government authorities, or at least most of the Cabinet, are favorable to delivering him to the civil authorities, that he may be tried on the indictment for treason found by the grand jury of our criminal court of the term about to be concluded, and it is probable that at the June term, which begins on Monday, the 19th instant, the case will be one of the first called.

The indictment was found on the 26th ult., and on the 31st of May the clerk of our court, R. J. Meigs, Esq., received a letter dated May 29, from R. H. Gillette, Esq., formerly of this city but now of New Lebanon, Columbia county, New York, stating that he had been retained by some of the friends of the rebel general to employ counsel for him in this city, having practiced for some years before the Court of Claims.

The judges of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, who preside in the Circuit and Criminal Courts, are Hon. D. K. Carter, chief justice, formerly of Ohio; Hon. A. B. Olin, formerly of New York; Hon. G. P. Fisher, formerly of Delaware; and Hon. Andrew Wylie, formerly of Virginia, associate justices; and it is probable on this trial the four judges will sit.

It is understood that the fullest and most accurate report will be made of this very important trial. The place of confinement has not yet been made public, although it has been stated that he would be confined in the Old Capitol prison, however, will be in the county jail.

THE SIXTH CORPS.

The Review To-morrow—Route of March Through Washington—Official Order.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE POTOMAC, June 5, 1865.—SPECIAL ORDERS, NO. 146.—[EXTRACT.]

The Sixth Army Corps, Major General H. G. Wright commanding, will pass through Washington, on review, on Thursday, the 8th inst.

The column, formed of companies at full distance, will move from the foot of Capitol Hill at 9 A. M., and passing through Pennsylvania avenue to Georgetown, will return to camp via Aqueduct Bridge.

The chief of staff of the Army of the Potomac will confer with Major General Augur, commanding Department of Washington, in regard to the arrangements necessary to be made in the city.

Such batteries of artillery, belonging to the army, as have not previously been reviewed, will report to the Chief of Artillery, 6th Army Corps, for this review.

By command of Major General Meade:

GEORGE R. RUGGLES,
Assistant Adjutant General.

WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, June 6.

EXPLANATION OF POSTAL LAWS.

Much misapprehension exists in regard to the application of the law, which provides that certain officers of the Government may receive mail matter on official business free of postage; especially do persons in the military service frequently address documents of importance to medical directors, but it is authorities, paymasters, and other parties, to whom the same cannot be forwarded except upon payment of the regular rates of postage. Such payment is often refused, and hence this class of papers is constantly being sent to the dead-letter office, necessarily causing much delay and embarrassment in regard to the disposal of the matter therein, and it is often difficult to find the senders. By the act of March, 1863, and that of June 1st, 1864, the following persons only connected with the War Department are entitled to receive correspondence free: The Assistant Secretaries of War, the Adjutant General, the Quartermaster General, the Commissary General of Subsistence, the Inspector General, Paymaster General, Chief Engineer, Surgeon General, Colonel of Ordnance, Provost Marshal General, the Commissioner of Freedmen, Judge Advocate General, Commissary General of Prisoners, and Chief Clerk in the War Department.

THE LETTER OF CONDOLENCE FROM THE FRENCH EMPRESS.

It is understood that the statement made some time ago that the French Minister here omitted promptly to hand in the letter of condolence from the Empress EUGENIE to Mrs. LINCOLN was incorrect. The letter was delivered at the Department of State as soon as it reached the Marquis De Montholon, and was at once sent to the lady to whom it was addressed.

PERSONAL.

Governor MAGRATH, of South Carolina, arrived to-day, under arrest, and was placed in prison.

General GRANT left Washington this evening for the North.

GENERAL NEWS.

One hundred and forty thousand blank parchment discharges, for soldiers, have been printed at the War Department.

All prisoners of war under the rank of major are to be released, the officers to furnish bonds for their good behavior.

The thermometer has fallen ten degrees since yesterday.

The Alabama delegation have decided to ask that a provisional Governor be appointed for that State.

The municipal election here yesterday resulted in an overwhelming defeat of the Democratic ticket.

The Mississippi delegation, appointed by the rebel Governor, has arrived.

General HALLECK will continue in command of Richmond for the present.

The French Emancipation Society are about to present a congratulatory address to the President, on the abolition of slavery.

Extensive preparations are being made for a review of the 6th Army Corps on Thursday.

The threatening letter lately received by President JOHNSON was written by a crazy German, who has been sent to the Insane Asylum.

Some weeks will be required to repair the railroad from Fredericksburg to Richmond. The rails, for a distance of ten miles, were taken up by the rebels to repair or make roads in other parts of Virginia.

The 119th Pennsylvania Volunteers, of the 1st division of the 6th Corps, were mustered out this morning, and left for their homes.

In accordance with the direction of Lieutenant General GRANT, all the wounded rebels confined in the Old Capitol were to-day released, on taking the oath of allegiance.

A large number of contrabands, who followed the Army of Georgia to Washington, have made application to return to their former homes.

IMPORTANT ORDER.—THE SALE OF LIQUORS ENTIRELY PROHIBITED IN HARRISBURG, BAIDGEPORT, AND VICINITY.—Brigadier General Hinks has issued an order, in pursuance of instructions received, prohibiting the sale of liquors in Harrisburg, Bridgeport, and surrounding neighborhood, until all the troops returning are dispersed. All who violate the order, and continue to sell liquors to any person, will be arrested and their liquors destroyed. We thank General Hinks for this order, and assure him that in enforcing its provisions he will be sustained by all good citizens.—*Harrisburg Telegraph.*

Tone of the Southern Press—Anarchy in South Carolina—Trade in Alabama.

CINCINNATI, June 6.—The *Commercial's* Chattanooga despatch says that leading Southern journals contain editorials endeavoring to reconcile the people to the loss of their slaves, and proving that they are benefited by the new order of affairs.

The Columbia (S. C.) *Phœnix* complains that the State is overrun by robbers and house thieves, preying upon what subsistence and property has been left to the unfortunate citizens.

Large quantities of cotton and tobacco are being brought to light in Montgomery, Alabama, and a brisk trade is being opened. Steamers are running regularly between there and Mobile.

Arrival Home of New England Troops.

NEW YORK, June 6.—On Monday the 39th Massachusetts Regiment, Major Ringsley commanding, and the 4th and 5th Massachusetts Batteries arrived here, and left for home at night. To-day, Tuesday, the 11th New Hampshire, Colonel Harriman, 341 men; 11th Massachusetts Battery, Captain Jones, 176 men, and 29th Maine Regiment, Captain Butler commanding, arrived. They left this evening. The 61st Massachusetts, Colonel Wolcott, 437 men; the 20th Maine, 300 men; 7th Maine, 190 men, and the 3d Vermont, 190 men, will arrive to-night, and transportation home has also been provided by Colonel Howe. The New England rooms are crowded with sick and wounded returning soldiers, and a United States paymaster and assistants are kept hourly employed during the day in settling accounts and paying off hundreds of discharged veterans.

Annual Session of the American Protestant Association.

PITTSBURG, June 6.—The annual session of the Worthy Grand Lodge of the American Protestant Association of Pennsylvania, is now being held in the city of Pittsburg. Yesterday, the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year:

W. G. M.—Robert Bisch, of Philadelphia, No. 9.
W. D. G. M.—F. R. Sheets, of Philada., No. 73.
W. G. S.—Thos. Wilson, of Philada., No. 63.
W. G. C.—J. F. Hill, of Pittsburg, No. 78.
W. G. A. C.—Alex Campbell, of Philada., No. 13
W. G. Chaplain.—Gerard Craig, of Philadelphia, No. 44.
W. G. I. T.—Chas. Steeper, of Pittsburg, No. 21.
W. G. O. T.—John Davis, of Philada., No. 9
G. S. B. T.—W. G. L., U. S.—John Gray, of Pittsburg, No. 4.

Maryland Welcomes the Brave.

BALTIMORE, June 6.—Thirty-five hundred returned Maryland soldiers were welcomed home today by the public, at Druid Hill Park, where a splendid entertainment was provided for the veterans, at the expense of the city.

Governor Bradford addressed them. There was an immense turnout of citizens, and great enthusiasm was manifested. Many Northern officers were present as guests, who were charmed with the scenery of the Park.

The American Medical Association.

BOSTON, June 6.—The American Medical Association, composed of physicians from all parts of the country, commenced their sessions to-day, in the hall of the House of Representatives, in the State house. Dr. Henry J. Bigelow, of Boston, made an address of welcome to the delegates. Dr. M. S. Davis, of Chicago, President of the Association, delivered the annual address, which was eloquent and instructive. About five hundred delegates were present.

Movements of Generals Grant and Sherman.

BUFFALO, June 6.—General Sherman passed through this city this afternoon, for Chicago, where he will arrive on Wednesday next.

General Grant will be in Chicago on Saturday.

Troops for Texas.

CLEVELAND, OHIO, June 6.—The *Leader's* 4th Army Corps correspondence says the veteran organization of that corps is under marching orders for Galveston, Texas, via New Orleans.

The Kentucky Races.

FAST TIME—A MILE IN 1 MINUTE 44 SECONDS.

LOUISVILLE, June 6.—At the Woodlawn races, to-day, the Lexington colt, Alexander, won two closely-contested two mile heats in 3.36½ and 3.38. The first mile of the second heat was won in 1 min. 44 seconds.

Defeat of the New State Constitution in St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, June 6.—The election on the new State Constitution passed off quietly. The majority against the adoption of the new Constitution will probably reach 5,000.

Fire at St. Louis.

ST. LOUIS, June 6.—The St. Louis Company's extensive lead and oil manufactory was partially destroyed by fire this morning. The loss amounted to about $35,000, which is covered by insurance.

Chicago Market.

CHICAGO, June 6.—Flour dull; $10 for No. 1 and $1 07½@1.08¾ for No. 2. Corn active and 1c higher; closing steady at 83c. Oats dull at 42¾c. High wines dull. Pork is the inquiry at forty-five bids. Receipts—Flour, 6,000; Wheat, 71,000; Corn, 121,000; Oats, 41,000. Shipments—Flour, 4,800; Corn, 41,000; Oats, 77,000.

THE TRIAL.

THE TESTIMONY NEARLY ALL TAKEN.

A Few Days Sufficient to Conclude the Labors of the Court.

ELABORATE DEFENCE OF DR. MUDD.

Impeachment of the Credit of the Principal Witness against him.

WASHINGTON, June 6.—The reading of the previous day's record occupied the Commission until one o'clock, when the body took a recess until two, at which hour they reassembled.

D. J. Middleton, clerk of the United States Supreme Court, being examined by Mr. Ewing, testified that Marcus P. Norton, a witness who had been before the Court, signed a motion before the Supreme Court of the United States on the 31 day of March last. The object in calling this witness was to fix a certain day in order to show to which Norton, a witness, had previously testified.

Mr. Bingham, counsel for the prisoner, Dr. Samuel A. Mudd, then addressed the Court as follows:

By reason of information which I have received since the witness, Daniel J. Thomas, was last upon the stand, I ask permission of the Court to recall that witness for the purpose of further cross-examination in regard to a single point. I wish to show that the witness, whose testimony is of much importance in the case, gave that testimony from corrupt motives. I expect to show, through three or six of his neighbors, that by his own declarations made since he appeared upon the stand for the prosecution, that he did it from the hope and expectation of a large reward. To the point proper, I expect to prove that he stated to Ed J. Watson, on the 1st of June, that he had testified here, and that Dr. Mudd would surely be convicted; that he asked Watson for a certificate of the fact that he was the first person who gave information which led to the arrest of Dr. Mudd; that he then stated to Watson that if he could get such a certificate from him and others he would get a reward of twenty five thousand dollars, because of the information leading to the arrest and conviction of the *last* conviction. I expect to show, further, that subsequently, on the same day, in conversation at Wm. Watson's house, near Horsehead, with John H. Richards, Benjamin J. Naylor, George Lynch, Lemuel Watson and William Watson, he stated to them that he wished them to give him certificates as being the first person who gave information which led to the arrest of Dr. Mudd; that he had been present here and testified, and that Dr. Mudd would surely be convicted; and that if they would give him the certificates he desired he would receive a reward of ten thousand dollars by reason of his efforts in the case. I wish to show further, that subsequently, upon a magistrate of the neighborhood, Mr. James W. Richards, riding up, Thomas, in the presence of these last named gentlemen, submitted to that gentleman the question as to whether, upon his giving these certificates, he would not be entitled to the reward of ten thousand dollars; in case Dr. Mudd should be convicted. It is true to me that, if the witness stood before this court fully on all the testimony which has preceded this evidence, it should justly go to diminish the weight of his testimony in the minds of the court, by showing how he was testifying under the hope of a large reward, and in the light of the evidence that has been given that he manufactured a lie to procure the arrest and conviction of Dr. Mudd, being actuated by a mercenary motive.

Assistant Judge Advocate Barnes stated that the prosecution would interpose no objection to the evidence.

The following witness was then called:

Re-Cross Examination of Daniel J. Thomas.

By Mr. Ewing: I was at William Watson's, near Horsehead, on Thanksgiving Day, the first of the present month, with John H. Richards, Benjamin J. Naylor, George Lynch, Lemuel Watson, and William Watson, when James W. Richards, a magistrate, rode up; I did not say to Mr. James W. Richards that I had been asking the gentlemen present for a certificate as proof of the fact that I was the first person who gave information leading to the arrest of Dr. Samuel A. Mudd; neither did I say I had stated to them that Dr. Mudd would be convicted; or that if they gave such a certificate, and Dr. Mudd should be convicted, I would receive the reward of ten thousand dollars; I did not say to any of the persons in whose company I then was that I have just denied saying to Mr. Richards; I never expressed a wish that Dr. Mudd might do in this case as a witness; I did not tell Richards that I was the person who gave the notice which led to the arrest of Dr. Mudd; I never told any one that I told the gentleman referred to that the impression in Washington city in regard to Mudd was that he would "go up;" I also asked their opinion as to whether I would be entitled to any portion of the reward in the event of Dr. Samuel Mudd being convicted, but never asked them for a certificate of the fact that I was entitled to information concerning Mudd; the other day I was riding with D. Moran and Daniel B. Moran about a mile and a half from Bryantown, and stopped previous to Dr. Mudd's arrest, when John D. Moran said that before the assassination of the President, there have no recollection of it) never said to me, Watson, that I wanted him to certify that I gave the information which led to Dr. Mudd's arrest, or that I was entitled to the reward of twenty-five thousand dollars for giving the information.

Testimony of James A Richards.

By Mr. Ewing: I am acquainted with the witness, D. J. Thomas; was with him and others in the graveyard of Hubbard Richard, Prince George county, on the first of the present month; he stated that he had called on William Watson and E. J. Naylor for a certificate; that he was entitled to a portion of the reward offered for the arrest of Booth and his accomplices; that he had informed the officers of the Government of Mudd's arrest, and that if they would certify to that fact, he would be entitled to the reward; that if Dr. Mudd was convicted he would receive ten thousand dollars; the certificate he wanted was that he informed them concerning Dr. Mudd's movements, or of his having been arrested; he did not certify to having led to the arrest; the reputation of D. J. Thomas, in the community where he lives, is very bad; if I believed he had any prejudice, or any money at stake, I would not believe him under oath; his reputation for veracity before the war was pretty much the same as it is now.

Cross-examined by Judge Bingham: The day this conversation took place at William Watson's was on Thursday; when I rode up Lemuel Watson remarked to me: "I am glad you have come; you are a justice of the peace; Daniel says he is entitled to so much reward, and I want you to say what he is entitled to it;" I don't recollect what I said at the time to Thomas; he applied to Watson for a certificate that he was the first person who gave the arrest; that if he could get this certificate he could get a portion of the reward, or words equivalent; if he had said, "If you will give me a certificate that I informed you of Dr. Mudd's arrest, he would be entitled to a reward," that would have been words of equivalent import to what I have stated; I was entitled to twenty thousand dollars; we meant it as a joke, and told him so afterwards, but did not at the time; he replied that he did not want a certificate of a joke or words to that effect; he told me he did not want me to swear to a lie for him to get twenty thousand dollars.

Q. Didn't you swear a little while ago that you had told him that he had better not have twenty-five hundred dollars? A. If I did, I recall it; what I intended to say was, that I told him and Watson told him, that he was entitled to twenty thousand dollars; but that was a joke; I did not know that he was entitled to anything; I have had no connection at all with the rebellion, and have no sympathies with it; I have been all the time during the rebellion in Charles and Prince George counties, keeping school.

By Mr. Ewing: I have been a hearty supporter of all the measures of the Government to suppress the rebellion; Dr. Thomas was not a hearty supporter of the Government in 1861; I met him on the way from school during that year, and he stated he was going down to join the Southern army, and Colonel Cobel came over he was going to come back and hang a man—Thomas P. Smith; Thomas was not a loyal man as the beginning of the war.

Dr. Ewing at this point introduced in evidence the general order of the War Department of 20th April, 1865, offering one hundred thousand dollars reward for the arrest of Booth and his accomplices, and liberal rewards for information leading to the arrest of any of the parties.

Testimony of John F. Davis.

By Mr. Ewing: I was at the house of Dr. Mudd, the prisoner, the Tuesday following the assassination of the President; I went to the field and informed him of the facts that Lieut. Lovett and a party of soldiers had come to arrest him; I came up with him to the house, and was there met by Dr. George Mudd; he met Dr. Sam Mudd just at the end of the kitchen.

Q. State what Dr. George Mudd said to Dr. Sam Mudd?

Judge Bingham: I object to that question.

Mr. Ewing (the witness having retired from the room) stated that his object was to rebut the testimony introduced by the prosecution that Dr. Mudd, Cobel and Hoffman had been together at Mudd's house on that morning. The defence had already proved, in a roundabout way, that the prisoner had informed Dr. George Mudd that two suspicious persons had been at his house on Saturday morning, and requested him to communicate the fact to the military authorities, which he had done; he proposed to further show by this witness that Dr. George Mudd now informed him that, having given information as he requested, the detective had come for the purpose of questioning him on this subject; and as Samuel Mudd, knowing the fact that information had already been communicated from him, brought to George Mudd, of the visit to his house of two suspicious persons, it was unnatural to suppose that the prisoner would then, in the presence of the witnesses for the prosecution, have denied that any persons had been at his house.

Judge Bingham said the purpose was to bring in the declaration of the third person to the accused, which was utterly incompetent.

The objection was sustained by the court, and the witness recalled.

Q. State whether Dr. Samuel Mudd betrayed any alarm when you informed him that the detectives had come to his house? A. None that I know of; he manifested no unwillingness to go to the house, and came right up there with me.

Testimony of L. S. Orme.

By Mr. Ewing: I am acquainted with the witness D. J. Thomas; I know his reputation in the community in which he lives for veracity; I would not believe him on his oath in any matter of any length, that he did not tell a good many things not true; I do not know any man down there who would believe him in anything he would undertake to tell; I have known him since before he was grown; in any matter in which he was prejudiced I would not believe him under oath, and would hardly believe him anyhow.

Cross-examined by Judge Holt: I am loyal to the Government to the best of my ability; I have always wished that the Union might be sustained; I never wanted to see two Governments; I always thought the North would succeed, if either.

By Mr. Ewing: Thomas was not a loyal man when the war commenced; he begged me once in 1861 to go South with him; the first of the war he was looked upon as a great friend of the South, and a great help to them as far as his ability would go, which was not much.

Testimony of H. L. Mudd, Jr.

By Mr. Ewing: I did not see my brother, Dr. Samuel Mudd on the 1st day of March, but I think he stayed at home; on the 2d of March I think he came to my father's house to see a sick sister; on the 3d of March he was sent for also, at 10 o'clock, to go to my father, and took dinner with us, about two o'clock; he came back again the same day, and brought some medicine; I went to his house again the same night, and brought some medicine over; on the 4th of March I also saw him; the distance from my father's house to the Navy-yard bridge, Washington, is between twenty-seven and thirty miles; I do not know that my brother, Dr. Mudd, ever owned a carriage of any description, and if he had I would have known it; my father does not own a buggy or a rockaway of any description; he owns a large double carriage, as large as any of the hacks you see in the city.

Testimony of Dr. J. H. Blandford.

By Mr. Ewing: I saw Dr. Mudd at home on the 1st or on the 5th of March; on the first at his house making a tobacco bed, and on the 5th at church; Dr. Mudd does not own a buggy, neither does his father, a buggy or a rockaway, but owns a large family carriage.

Testimony of Dr. Allen.

By Mr. Ewing: Dr. Mudd was at my house on the evening of the 23d of March last; he came in with H. A. Clark and a Mr. Gardiner (I do not know his first name), who lives in Dr. Mudd's neighborhood; they came at near 8 o'clock in the evening, and stayed till between 12 and 1 o'clock that night; there were several persons in there; I fixed the date as the 23d of March because I remember that on that day a tornado swept over the city, and a negro boy was killed; I had seen Dr. Mudd once before that time; I was introduced to him by Mr. Clark. I think it the early part of 1864; I had not seen him since that time, and these are the only two occasions, I think, I saw him.

Testimony of Dr. Cleary.

By Mr. Ewing: I saw Dr. Mudd, the prisoner, with Mr. Gardner and others, at my house in the latter part of March; they came to my store between six and seven o'clock, and went to my house to eat, and after ten went round to Dr. Allen's office, and remained until between twelve and one o'clock; there were some ten or a dozen persons there; Dr. Mudd remained at my house that night, and left the next morning after breakfast; he and Gardner went off together; they rode together at my house that night; I have not seen him since till yesterday; I do not know J. Wilkes Booth, John H. Surratt, or Mr. Weichman, and did not see any of them at my house or Dr. Allen's that night; Dr. Mudd was not out of my sight all the time he was in my store that afternoon until he went to bed at my house that night; the only way I fix the date is by a storm the day after the 23d, and a negro boy was killed; we were playing cards that evening at Dr. Allen's.

Two witnesses were called relative to the confession of Dr. Arnold made to White on