

Local Department.

The Gordons Forever!—"Brindle" on Her Feet Again!

"HARD TIMES, COME NO MORE!"

The day after the appearance of our paper last week, in which we set forth, in truthful phrase, the deplorable straits to which our only and peerless cow, our good friend, BAZEL GORDON, Esq., of Franklin, came to her rescue with a glorious load of straw, and following close on his heels came Solomon GORDON, of the same township, but from another neighborhood, with several bushels of prime feed. So, between the two, "Brindle" is likely to weather the storms of another winter, and we needn't say is already carrying her ears erect and frisking her tail as joyously as a lamb, and doubtless will soon be as playful. This act of the Messrs. Gordon, better than anything we could say, shows what kind of hearts they have "into their bosoms," and how they feel not only for the "brutes that perish," but for the poor, neglected unfortunate who dishes up their weekly news. May their granaries and baskets always be full, and may the oats from which they spring (of honest and grateful Scotch memory), continue to increase and extend till it fills half the earth!

True Patriots.

The Junior Editor of the Messenger has a big brother and two nephews in the national service, and has had a third; and the Senior has one nephew (two till recently), and an additional number of cousins in the army. If necessary, emulating the example of the immortal Ward, they are ready, in addition to all this, to "sacrifice" three more brothers, half a dozen brothers-in-law and a full score of uncles. "No compromise—war to the knife, and from the blade to the hilt!"—"Who's afraid?"

Recruiting.

Recruiting officer Meighen informs us that the time for receiving volunteers is likely to be extended to the 1st of March. The Joint Resolution to that effect, now before Congress, will probably be adopted. Persons wishing to enter the service may do so with the liberal advance pay and bounties hitherto paid by the Government.

Our Public Schools.

The elegant edifice for School purposes, which has been in process of erection in this village for over a year past, was completed a few days since. It is a beautiful and substantial structure, furnished with all the modern improvements, and has ample accommodations for all the children of the District.

Melancholy Accident.

A few days since Elizabeth Linton, a maiden lady some 60 years of age, residing at Greensboro in this county, was literally burnt to death. She was quite ill and feeble, and while sitting near the fire on the morning of the occurrence, her clothing ignited and she was shortly in a blaze. A friend entered at the moment, but was unable to extinguish the flames until she was fatally injured. She lingered four or five hours in great agony, when death came to her relief.

The Poor.

The biting frost of winter is now creeping in at every crevice. Those who have warm homes and bright fires feel it stealing around them. Though they are well clad and sumptuously fed, let them not forget those who have none of these comforts, and whom pinching poverty has reduced to the last extremity—the last rag, and the last rag.

The Great Rebellion.

The Agent who is now in this region taking subscriptions for the forthcoming History of the Great Rebellion by J. T. Headley, has this morning presented to us for examination the first volume of the work. It fills the prospectus in every particular. The type is superb, the illustrations beautiful and the binding substantial.

Death of Archbishop Hughes.

The telegraph dispatches announce the death of Archbishop Hughes on Sunday, the 24th inst., at his residence in New York. According to the American Cyclopedia he was only 66 years old, having been born in 1798.

A Horrible Death.

On New Year's day a collision occurred between a couple of freight trains on the Fort Wayne and Chicago Railroad, a few miles west of New Brighton. Mr. DEMAS WOODRUFF (driver), we learn, who was on one of the cars where there was a large hot stove and some oil, was literally burned up—nothing being left but the bones on the track. Mr. Woodruff had recently moved from Greene Co., Pa., to Fort Wayne, Ind. He had been back to this county on business and was returning to his home with a small lot of sheep when this terrible calamity overtook him. He was well known in Waynesburg and vicinity.—Greene County Republican.

A Mixed Currency.

The editor of the Washington Democrat in his distress and anguish of soul, publishes the following: WANTED.—Hoop poles, shoe pegs, old boots, cat fish, saur kraut; corn husks, saw dust, porcupine quills, buckwheat cakes, knife blades, marbles, watch keys, matches, fire crackers, pea nuts, snapping turtles, old straps, pig ears, tooth picks, cigar stumps, walnuts, old gun shoes, drums, fifes, jewsharps, old shoe strings, horse shoes, bees in the hive, old pocket books, (full of money), postage stamps, bank checks, shimplasters, good bank bills, and all others at this office in payment of subscription, etc., at the highest market value.

Hats, Caps, Ladies' Furs, &c.

J. H. Hillerman, No. 75 Wood st., Pittsburgh, is in receipt of a large assortment of Ladies' Furs and Fashionable Hats and Caps, which he offers at the lowest living figures. Mr. H. is a courteous gentleman, and reliable business man, and persons who buy at his establishment will get the full worth of their money. Having a life-long practical acquaintance with his branch of trade, his selections are judiciously made, and his goods are the very best in the market.

Waynesburg and Brownsville.

Tim Dougher is running through daily to Brownsville with sleighs, connecting at Brownsville with the coaches to Uniontown. This is the cheapest and most expeditious route to Pittsburgh during the suspension of navigation.

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Bombardment of Charleston—A U. S. Gunboat Fired into—The Battery Captured by Union Troops.

New York, Jan. 3.—Advices from Folly Island, received by the Arago, state that our guns at Cummings Point opened on the city of Charleston on Christmas morning, continuing the bombardment till three o'clock. Several fires were kindled in the city, which burned a considerable amount of property. The Rebel batteries replied without doing any damage.

Gen. Butler and the Exchange of the Prisoners.

New York, January 5.—The Times' Washington correspondent says:—Our Government will not permit Gen. Butler to be outlawed by Judah P. Benjamin. The exchange of prisoners is committed solely to him, and will be continued in his hands. Secretary Stanton determined to-day to enlarge his powers and confirm his agency by putting all the rebel prisoners in the United States under his care. There will be thirty thousand of them at Point Lookout within three weeks. The policy decided on is to insist that the exchange shall take place through General Butler, and that none shall take place except through him as Commissioner of Exchange.

A Contemplated Rebel Raid.

A Washington dispatch of the 4th says:—"The rumors of the enemy's operations in the Shenandoah Valley are exaggerated. Fitz Lee's cavalry, of perhaps one thousand men, supported by Early's three meagre brigades of foot, with Imboden and other local leaders with small detachments, numbering all told six to seven thousand men, are near Woodstock and Mount Jackson, with an occasional dash as far north as Winchester. The latest indications point to the Moorfield Valley, if not west of the mountains, as the scene of their operations. Certainly they have not appeared as yet in sight of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, the trains of which are all running regularly and successfully with large quantities of freight and many passengers. The best evidence of official confidence in the security of the route is the sending of important detachments over it.

The Oldest Married Couple in the World.

—There are living in Marulan, in this colony two persons, husband and wife, aged respectively 111 and 107 years. They are extremely feeble and bedridden, but are in possession of both sight and hearing. The old man arrived in the first fleet, in 1788, and has consequently been seventy-five years in the colony of New South Wales.—Salway (N. S. W.) Empire.

Abel Stearns of Los Angeles, California, lost about seven thousand head of cattle through want of food, during the last few months. That gentleman is believed to be the largest stock and land owner in the United States.—He owns this year 68,000 cattle besides 9,000 calves.

Moseby has offered \$5,000 reward for the capture of a late member of his command, who is now acting as guide to the Federal forces stationed about Vienna, Va.

Prisoners in Richmond.—There were 10,220 Federal prisoners in Richmond on the 18th instant. There were eleven deaths among them on the same day.

A man named Leander Coffman has been arrested and is now in prison at Baltimore, Md., who is said to have committed six murders, three of which he has confessed.

Why General Meade Retreated.

Rev. S. H. Ball, of Dover, N. H., recently visited the Army of the Potomac, and called upon General Meade. He writes to a New Hampshire paper that he asked General Meade to explain his last campaign, and the General was kind enough to do so, as follows: "I went over the river to fight, and if my orders had been obeyed, I am confident that Lee's army might have been defeated. My plan was to cross at Germania Ford, take the road to Orange Court-house, and push on rapidly; if Lee should send forces to stop me, to attack him in force and destroy that portion of his army before he could concentrate the whole of it to oppose me. But one of my corps commanders failed me. He was commanded to march at six o'clock in the morning, but did not move until eight o'clock. He was directed, if Lee sent forces to oppose him, to attack at once; Lee did send Ewell down the Orange Court House road, just as I expected, but my General stood and looked at him all day, and did not fight.—So we lost twenty-four hours, and that gave Lee notice and time to concentrate his army and take so strong a position that it could not be carried without great loss and a risk of losing our army. Such a fight would have damaged us and encouraged the rebels, and prolonged the war, and I gave the order to retreat.—The corps commander referred to was Gen. French, who was probably too drunk to know or do his duty.

Marriage of an Armless Hero.

A few days ago we mentioned the marriage of the armless color sergeant of a Massachusetts regiment, Plunkett, to a Miss Nellie Lorimer. The wedding took place in Worcester, through the parties belong in Leicester. We have now an additional fact of interest connected with the incident. When he left for the war, Plunkett was engaged to a Miss Lorimer. Upon his return he considered his helpless condition and offered a release to his betrothed, which was readily accepted. Her sister was so indignant at this, that she said she would marry the brave man herself if he was agreeable to the war, and they married. The Hartford, Ct. Post, on whose authority we relate this anecdote, says that "thanks to the generosity of the brokers' boards of Boston and New York, and of the people he has met since his return, Plunkett, the hero, is in independent circumstances pecuniarily."

Stirring Times in the Potomac Army Anticipated.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The Herald's correspondent with the Army of the Potomac, under date of the 5th says:—"The readers of that paper may look once more for stirring news from the Army of the Potomac. I need not say what is to be the nature of the intelligence; and would not do so if I could. It is sufficient to add, in this connection, that there will be as much, or more excitement in this army during the ensuing three or four months as in any other department where the Herald has its correspondents.

From Arkansas—A Rebel Defeat near Fort Gibson.

LEAVENWORTH, Jan. 4, 1864.—Advices from the South say that a fight occurred on the 13th ult., near Fort Gibson, in the Cherokee country, between 1,000 rebels under Quantrell and about 600 Federals under Col. Phillips, of the Indiana Brigade. The fight lasted several hours, and resulted in the complete defeat of the rebels, who were scattered in all directions, leaving fifty killed and wounded on the field. Our loss was small.

No Demonstration against the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad.

A telegram from Prescott Smith states that no demonstration whatever has been made against the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, which is fully protected under Gen. Kelly's arrangements with Gens. Sullivan, Campbell and Mulligan. All were placed on the alert.—Trains are running regularly to and from Baltimore.

The Late Western Virginia Scare.

The late scare about the guerrilla attack on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, was a ridiculous farce. Military officers stated that Gen. Kelley had telegraphed to them that he was going to be attacked the next morning at both New Creek and Harper's Ferry. All the trains were accordingly stopped and the troops were rapidly concentrated.—The truth was, that a force of perhaps 1,500 half-starved guerrillas had come down toward Winchester, and a detachment of them had captured, last Monday, a supply train of about eighty wagons. They were sent out from New Creek with a sufficient guard.—This was the whole extent of the guerrilla invasion. If the War Department has old women to find districts for it, it should seek them more remote from guerrilla alarms.

A Horror.

There has been a horror discovered in a Cornwall village—a poor lunatic confined by his brother for twenty years in a room under circumstances of appalling barbarity. The villagers, accustomed to his heartrending shrieks and howls, never interfered, "it was none of their business." Only a stranger discovered and delivered the miserable being, "more resembling a baboon than a man, drawn and cramped from long exposure and suffering out of all form of humanity, stark naked, and only two old rotten legs for a skirt," the description of the room in which he was confined being loathsome beyond description.—[Correspondence N. York Tribune.

After the Battle.

B. T. Taylor, the army correspondent of the Chicago Journal, writes as follows:—"When a furnace is in blast, the red fountain sparkles and plays like a mountain spring, and the rude surroundings brighten to the peak of the rough rafters with a strange beauty. When the fire is out, and the black and ragged masters of dull iron lie dead upon the ground, with a dull and stubborn resistance, who would dream that they ever leaped with life and light. A furnace and a battle are alike. It is wonderful how dull natures brighten and grow costly in the glow of battle, how the sterling worth and wealth there are in them, shine out, and the common man stands transfixed, his heart in his hand and his foot in the realm of heroic grandeur. But ah, when the fire is out, and the scarred earth is heaped with clay, the black mouths of the guns speechless, mighty hammers and no hands, the flags furled, the wild hurrah died away, and all the splendid action of the charge vanished from the rugged field like a last flash of sunshine, and you wander among the dull reminders, the dead embers of the intense life and glow that swept your life out, only yesterday, and drifted to it on what the skinship line, you begin to know what these words mean, "after the battle."

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Fight at Jonesville, Virginia.

CUMBERLAND GAP, Jan. 6.—An overwhelming force under Sam Jones, made a descent on Sunday upon a small body of our troops stationed near Jonesville, Va., consisting of about 280 of one Illinois regiment, commanded by Major Beers, and eighteen men of Neil's Ohio Battery. A desperate resistance was made, continuing from 7 a. m. till 3 p. m., and followed by the surrender of our men. Our casualties on the field amounted to about thirty killed and a like number wounded. We also lost one gun belonging to Neil's battery, and two small howitzers. The attacking force numbered about 4,000. The force captured was guarding the key to that region of country which was our main reliance for forage.

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