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"One Country, One Constitution, One Destiny."



THESBURG, The KDNESDAY, DEC. 21, 1864.

MONEY! MONEY!!

The carrent expenses of a newspaper in these war times are enormous, con only be met by prompt payments on the part of patrons. We are being over three times as much paper as we did three years ago, and fects tobacco and cigars. derresponding advances have been made ha the price of other printing materials. In addition to all this, the wages of labor The higher than ever before since the establishment of the paper, while the command equally ex-Tavagant rates. Under these circumdences, we must insist on our subscriters rensembering us in a substantial by making prompt payments. Will every patron who knows himself to be in arrears on our books immediately call and settle his account? It illustiare us from embarrassment and give us some heart for our work, which best pays but a trifle and nothing The as well as any other business pur-

Thends, lose no time in SETTLING

Loyalty to Lincoln not to the Consti-

tution. We frequently hear the radical and inthe country were those that stood by the Constitution and Laws and madelimal that the contest had nothing to domithalerery; that the rebels were deceiving the people by pretending that it had. The secessionists alone maintained that the war would be waged upon slavery. All didniect how uniformly union men met thingstation byras demint; how they all ad mitte any attempt at such unwarrantabla action could not and ought not to be detended and supported. They would have scented such doctrines as are now preached by the press and by the administration.— Why did they not then tell the people the housefirsth. They dared not do it. Now the tables are turned. Step by step the wandingbeen diverted from its original purpess antil now it is declared by the Presicont that the "Abolition of slavery is the see condition of peace." This is their party test and of course the test of loyalty.-They effect to support the Government, but such declarations "that a man can't oppose the ministration without opposing the Government." If this doctrine betrue, they have all been rebels. If they were at heart what they are now at the beginning of the frouble, they were guilty of hidias their purposes from the people and decision their friends. They have the imperficence to charge as rebds all that are not in fact of all cheir abolition schemes and sther requally sheonstitutional and destructure medicares. The Democracy of the More still hold and intends to presist in the preservation of the Union of the States, and the continuing of the States, and the res-erve path of the States. They are not to make blaned or aurnbugged with the absrelidenthan they are against the governmanuscribey are opposed to the ad-

The President in his Message, says that the dest of the United States held by private suspenty, and suges a general dis-Me der debt. He says:

hands at it.

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News from Washington. Meeting of the Second Session of the 38th Congress.

OPPOSITION TO DRAFTING. There seems to be an impression among a good many senators and members famorable to recruiting our atmics by a volunteer system in preference to drafting. They claim that it is much more rapid, less expensive, and better policy on the whole than

NEW ATTORNEY-GENERAL. The new Attorney-General, James Speed.

of Kentucky, arrived here to to-day. He accepts the position in the cabinet.

REVENUE CUTTERS ON THE LAKES. for the purchase of six revenue cutters for the lakes, is with a view to prevent sinuggling on the northern border.

BILLS TO BE INTRODUCED INTO THE HOUSE named subjects:

By Mr. Julian, (Rep. Ind.)-Providing holders, and prescribing an oath of loyalty to all persons practicing law in the rebel

gold and silver coin and bullion from being ing received for a smaller sum than is thereact of June 30, 1864, so far as the same cf-

act of March 7th, 1864, as imposes an addi- which must have decided the fate of tional tax of forty cents a gallon upon spirits Hood's plans at least, an I compelled him mported prior to the passage of that law.

By Mr. Spaulding (Rep.) Ohio.—Providing Nashville by a coup de main, endeavor attacked the enemy at Franklin, and to cross the Cumberland so as to reach drove them from their centre lines, Cleveland, Ohio, and a bill appropriating a the base of the range of mountains which they evacvated during the night, share of the public lands for the benefit of seperating East from Middle Tennessee leaving their dead and wounded in our have rallied around the flag of the Union smply feinforced by General A. J. captured several stand of colors and in the war of the rebeilion whether natives. naturalized citizens, or aliens; and a bill to prescribe a more impartial mode of impaneling jurors in the tederal courts.

THE LATE PIRATICAL PLOT.

The Navy department has received a sleop Lancaster of the attempt of the pirates a trap, and that his army is in process S. Carter, Marignault, Quarles, Cockerto capture the steamer Gautemala. Great or danger of annihilation are simply abfor the efficient manner in which he conducted the arrest.

For the Messenger. A Raitroad from New Geneva to Waynesburg.

A disposition upon the part of the Pittsspeak of such persons as being, loyal. Loyof oil along and in the vicinity of Big
Whitely creek, that said company may be
Whitely creek, that said company may be the mouth of the said creek to the Loar run between the farms of Stephens' and Shriver. agricultural products, independent of oil considerations would make the stock in said

road remunerative. The road located here would reach a large portion of the oil interest of Dunkard as well as three-fourths of the Ten Mile country. Stranger things may hapten than the lo-

cation and completion of this road inside of

The Military Situation. The entire field of military operation is now pregnant with interests. Not only in Georgia, but in Tennesiee, the position of our armies gives tood for serious disquesion, and with General Thomas especially, there is cause for some slight degree of apprehension.—the condition of General Sharman, even, is invested with some considerable doubt. and, until we can learn of his true destisources, it is useless to do more than dimals.

S GENERAL THOMAS ARMY. The Mustion of our army now sur-

steged city-Hood being the assaulting of the enemy advanced toward Cooaparty. General Thomas has concentrat- watchie, burning Tallafarney bridge. ed his forces at that point as the grand They were attacked by Gen. Goolsun's strategetic key to Tennessec, the loss of command and draven back. On Wednes which would lead to serious disaster, - day morning a portion of our forces had There is no doubt of his ability to de- a sharp fight with a force of the enemy fend it successfully against all the forces near Tullafarney bridge, five miles bebefore of ait camengs persons of limited that Hood can bring to bear against him, low Pecolige bridge. They advanced sopy analise sadi securities exempt But the manœuvers of the rebul general toward the railroad and were driven indicate that something beyond a siege back. Among the Georgians, one was of the capital of Tennessee is intended, killed and several wounded. The eneand that his plans comprehend a serious my landed a large force at Mackey's demonstration in the direction of the Point, and was reported advancing toeastern portion of that State. The latest ward old Pocotolige. They will be

Thomas in the hope the himself of any foe which might act in his rear, and se expediting his junction with Breck and ge. This effected, he could as without railly sten, inflict an intery which would entirely counterbal-ance all that has been gained by General Sherman is his grand campaign which commenced at Chattanooga and ended at Atlanta. The success of the rebel quired by General Sherman in his present brilliant raid entirely nugatory, and compel our armies to fight anew over ground, already crimson with blood of their fellow soldiers, to schieve the restoration of the territory which has been purchased at the expense of so many valuable lives and so much treasure. In this view the victory of our forces over the enemy at Franklin is of the highest Senator Sherman's bill, introduced to-day, importance. It was evidently the intention of Hood to assail General battle before Nashville has been receiv-Thomas' army before it could have an ed from Gen. Thomas: opportunity of gaining the impregnable position at Nashville. Franklin was selected by General Thomas as one of Various gentlemen to-day in the House the outworks, so to speak, of Nashville, gave notice, under the rules, of their inten- but was not intended to be held against a distance of about eight miles. Have tions to introduce bills on the following a largely superior force of the enemy. his chief when the attack was precipifor the forfeiture of the tee of rebel land- tated by Hood, and had the latter succeeded in his designs, the defeat of Schofield would have had a disastrous effect upon the army of General Thomas: it being in the act of concentration at By Mr. Stevens (Rep.) Pa. To regulate Nashville. The Union general was the enemy again to-morrow, if he stands the value of money; to prohibit the expor- failing back from the possition he had to fight; and if he retreats during the tation of gold and silver coin; to prevent taken to watch Hood in order to re- night I will pursue him, throwing a ceive re-inforcements from General A. paid or accepted for greater value than their J. Smith's army. Had the latter been stroy his trains, if possible. real current value, and preventing any note delayed a day or two, the consequence or bill issued by the United States from be might have been disasterous in the exin specified; also, a bill supplemental to the hard head Nashville with its strong defenses, but he would have been rebut he would have been nowerless to ed him of his adversary. There is, at | Hood's dispatch: By Elijah Ward (Dem.) N. Y .- To repeal the pre ent writing, a prospect that an so much of Sec. 7th of the Internal Revenue engagement was fought on Saturday, to change the destination of his army; To Hon J. A. Seddon: By Mr. Spaulding (Rep.) Ohio.—Provid- and, abandoning his purpose of carrysuch soldiers and sailors in the regular and and gain the fertile plains of that region. volunteer service of the United States as Now that General Thomas has been Smith, there is every probability that about ten thousand prisoners. attacking Nashville, such a vigerous have to lament the loss of many galpursuit will be made as will defeat even lant officers and men. Major-General the dernier resort of the rebel commander | Cleburne, and Bilgadier General John and compel him to seek a place of safety in Alabama or near his recent bease. engthy report from the commander of the The idea that Hood has been caught in credit is given to Commander Davenport surd. The history of this war affords General Gordon was captured. but three instances of the entrapping of an army and those—Fort Donelson,

GENERAL SHERMAN'S ARMY.

in Tennessee.

comparable with the situation of Hood

The track made by Gen. Sherman in burgh and Conneleville Railroad Company his progress through the State of Georto extend their road to New Geneva in gia, is now being defined by the southvalley to Waynesburg. This is not perhaps a portion of General Sherman's army, a line of country of twenty-two miles offer- but in such a manner as to give the deing so few obstacles to the construction of a monstration the appearance of a mere was in command of the post, and he, ported that another scout had arrived from Railroad. The elevation is very slight from feint. This was on the 20th ultimo.— The course pursued by both of General Sherman's columns is now clearly in-And to the head of said run, where a tunnel General Slocum, after advancing as far dicated by the dispatches before us .-of not more than two hundred feet would East as Greensboro', on the Georgia reach the waters of Laurel run. which emp- state road, proceeded to Estonton, and ties into Ten Mile creek about one mile east thence passing through Milledgeville, of Waynesburg. The country abounds with joined Gene al Howard's column at timber, stone and an abundance of coal. Gordon. Thereafter, both wings of the The country along this rout possesses a fine army moved in concert. The entire be found in the neighborhood of New Yankee prisoners report that Kilpatrick was will reach camp to-morrow, having sussoil. The great surplus of stock raised its army effected the crossing of the Oconee Creek and Piedmont were gobbled up shot though the head and mortally wountained but a trifling loss.

> HEADQUARTERS, DEP. PRO. MAR., OFFICE.? Waynesburg, Pa., Dec. 1, 1864 The enrollment lists of the several townships are now in the hands of the respective are requested to assist the officers in making

the proper changes. C. W. TAYLOR, Dep. Pro. Mar.

Mews.

REPORTS FROM REBEL PAPERS.

The Advance on Savannah.

New York, Dec. 15 .- The Savannation and real progress from Union that a fight occurred at the front, in gest carefully the very meger informs- ed. It is said that a strong column of wounded. tion, youchsefed as by the southern jour- infantry and eavalry attacked the command of Colonel Fisher, which is sta-ing. tioned on the outposts, and who had not quarter the men that were opposed rounding Nashville is peculiar. It is in to him, but he handsomely repulsed the Sherman's Army Before Savannah the condition of a force defending a be- foe. We learn that on Tuesday, a force

NEWS FROM TENN. Reported Victory of General Thomas-

MORE THAN CONFIRMED.

The Battle Severe and Terrific. plans would render the advantages ac- HODD DOING HIS BEST TO ESCAPE. THOMAS PRESSING HIM HARD.

> WC. &O. FIRST DISPATCH. [OFFICIAL.] WAR DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON,

Major-Gen. Dix: The following official report of the

December 16-9:15 A. M.

Nashville, Tenn., Dec 16:9:15 A. M. Attacked the enemy's left this morning, and drove it from the river below the city very nearly from Franklin pike, captured Chalmer's headquarters and General Schofield was en route to join train, and a second train of about twenty wagons, with between eight hundred and one thousand prisoners and sixteen pieces of artillery. Our troops behaved splendidly, all taking their share in assaulting and charging the enemy's breastworks. I shall attack. heavy cavalry force in his rear to de-

GEO. H. THOMAS, Major-Gen. General Hood's official report of the treme. Thomas could doubtless have battle of Franklin has at last been reed extraordinary loss of general officers strike a blow which would have reliev- is but too true. The following to Gen.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF TENN., SIX MILES FROM NASHVILLE, December 8, 1964. Tia Mobile, December 9.

About 5 o'clock r. M. Nov. 30 we possession, and retreated to Nashville, cl sely followed by our cavalry. We troops fought with great gallantry. We John Brown and Brigadier Generals ell, and Scott were wounded. Brig.

(Signed) J. B. Hood, General. Vicksburg and Port Hudson-were in- Hood says that our loss of officers was at Savannah. Bragg is at Augusta. excessively large in proportion to the

New Creek.

Speaking of the battle at New Creek, Va., the Wheeling Register says: About 10 o'clock in the morning the olers, made their escape and went to effected on the 11th. Cumberland. About four or five hundred men, near one thousand horses tive news of the fall of Savannah, it is mereand a large amount of clothing were captured by the. Confederates. It was said that all the heavy guns on the sur-

place was evacuated by the enemy. All the leading Republicans who could and taken to Dixie.

But a few yards of the railroad track was torn up, and but little damage done gers by the Savannah train on Monday afat Piedmont. A New Creek all the Government warehouses and stores of the Pocaraligo. Another report states lately died in Ireland at 24 Dolphin's trustworthiness is vouched for, says he were destroyed.

enrolling officers for correction. All persons Admiral Lee's Report of Thomas's ported that the enemy captured two guns Battle.

Washington, December 16.—The Department:

CLARKSVILLE, Tenn., December 16-10 A. M. To Hon. Gideon Welles, Secretary of the

Navy: General Thomas's attack yesterday upon Hood's left, supported by the Tenth division of this squadron, resulted in the capture of Chalmer's headquarters trains, with papers, one thousand nah News of the 7th says: We learn prisoners, and sixteen pieces of artilwhich the enemy were severely punish- will not exceed five hundred killed and

S. P. LEE, Rear-Admiral, Commanding Mississippi Squadron.

-Denial that the City is Invested.

[From the Richmond Examiner, December 14. Georgia is the appearance of Sherman's lecton and Savannah railroad, at Coosaarmy in the vicinity of Savannah. The Yankee papers informed us that he had accomplished this much almost a week ago, but of course their statement was based upon what they seemed the probabilities of the situation. Up to with Sherman's Forces yesterday foreucon no fighting had taken place between Sherman's army and the confederate troops in the defence of The prest advistage intelligence how before us shows that taken ourse of The force which landed the latter. A cotemporary paper speaks the subjected as well as debuted. Strength has been a subject to the subject to t Savannah. General Hardee commands

A Child Killed by a Ram.

asleep. Two other children, one five evening, but could not give any details the house to watch the child. On their dition, however, there is no doubt. way they met a vicious ram, which attacked Maria, and though tied head and terms of the energy and activity of Adfoot, literally crushed in her ribs and miral Dalghren, in organizing and dikilled her upon the spot. The other recting the movements of the naval brichild gave the alarm at once, but when gade in this affair. When the Donegal the father reached the scene of the horrible event, it was too late to do more than knock the brains out of the vile brute.—Lansing(Iowa) Journal.

A Pleasing Incident.

The Rev. Dr. Kendall, who recently returned from an official visit to Calitornia, communicates the following inci-

"A poor little boy brought to the Sanitary Fair held at Marysville a white chicken, which was all he had to offer, saying it might make some broth for a poor sick soldier. He had decked his little offering with ribbon of red, white and blue,' but he had no money to pay the entrance fee, and was rejected at the door. As he passed down the street, a gentlemau seeing his distress, listened to his story, gave him a ticket and sent him in. The simplicity of the child and the beauty of the offering, attracted attention, and the chicken was put up and sold for four hundred dollars in gold for the Sanitary Commission."

FROM GENERAL SHERMAN.

Sherman Felling Trees to Obstruct His Adversaries.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 14.-Full files of Richmond papers of Monday, December 12th, came to hand this morning. The Dispatch of that date has the following paragraph on Sherman, which is more important than the brief telegram from City Point, on latest news from Sherman is that, on Saturday, he was at Bloomingdale, fifteen miles from Savannah. It is not absolutely certain which was in his programme-to attack the city direct, or slide away down the coast and get out between Savannah and Port Royal. Our position at Savannah is difficult involving the necessity to protect the city and some ten miles of the and Savannah Railroad, which, leaving the city on the west, curves to the rear and crosses the river eight miles above. Since Sherman left Millen he has been felling

Williams, Adams, Giest, Strahl, and the War Department does not always make Cranbury, were killed. Major-Gen. public its news for prudential reasons, while they are seme times no better informed than other people. At last accounts, the Examiner adds, Sherman was marching on to Savannah in three parallel columns. He must be, it declares, in the immediate vicinity of the city by this time. Beauregard, A subsequent telegram from General Hardee, Smith, and Taylor, are commanding

The Whig of Monday, the 12th. says the fight for the possession of the city may now

be going on.

By Associated Press.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—The evening Telegraph has just received the following

Holmes' Battery, except the captain, says it is confidently believed here that designed to serve to Richmond her sup-The Commercial's Washington special Sherman has occupied Savannah. It is rewith Captain Holmes and a few strag- the Union army, reporting the capture was

Washington, Dec. 15.-There is no posily a probability.

papers of the 7th, received at the American office, have the following: Beauregard arrounding hills were spiked before the rived at Augusta on the morning of the The Constitutionalist of the 7th says:

ded in the fight on Sanday at Walkers Bridge.

The Chronical of the 7th says: Passenternoon, report all quiet in the neighborhood that the enemy were advancing their main definite was obtained.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.-The following Harbor, via Fortress Monroe:

To Hon. Gideon Wells, Secretary of the Lloyd tells her little tale simply. Navy: I have just received a communica-tion from General Sherman's army. It is within a tew miles of Savannah, and in fine spirits. I shall bring all my available force ioto connection with the army.

Very respectfully. A. J. DAHLGREN. Rear Admiral.

A Workman in Paris has suclery. The probable loss to the army ceeded in making barrels without hoors, he called for brandy he had that too, and The attack will be resumed this morn- a desidoratum for some three thousand years, is undergoing examination before the Academy of La Rochelle.

> Fighting on the Charleston and Savannah Railroad on Tuesday.

[From the Richmond Dispatch Dec. 14.] There was a report on yesterday The only definite information from that a fight was going on, on the Charwatchie. It was probably correct, and the enemy have persistently endeavored to make a lodgment on this road.

with Sherman's Forces.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—The Bulletin has the following important intelligence; The steamer Donegal arrived ading Squdron, having left Port Royal On the 3d instant six rebel description of the six repetition and coroners jury to inform us that the control of the six rebel description of the six rebel description and a sound of the six rebel description of the six rebel description and ready for the six rebel description and read

was landed and an action commenced. How Louis Napoleon is Altering A horrible accident occurred on Col- The Pocotaligo Bridge was reached umbia bridge in this county on Thurs- and destrayed. Our troops, were then day last. Herman Schmeidien and wife intrenched for such future operations were digging potatoes in a field near as might be needed. The Donegal their house, and had letta child at home came down to Port Royal the same years old, and the other, Maria, a bright of the losses on either side. Of the little girl aged three years, were sent to success of the grand object of the expe-

Cur information speaks in the highest came down Broad river, on the evening of the 5th, shells were seen firing and exploding, which indicated that our forces were determined to drive the enemy out of any position they might have taken after being driven from the

General Foster's scouts had communicated with General Sherman's forces which were marching on Savanneh. The belief was that General Sherman would be in Savannah on Wednesday, the 14th. The Pocatoligo bridge is about thirty-five miles from Savannah. This bridge having been destroyed and Sherman having cut the other railroad communications Savannah cannot be relieved by reinforcements from any point north of that city.

The Latest from Mibile.

New York, December 13.—A Fort Morgan letter of the 80th ult., to the reported rebel force to this point, is said than an advanced post. They remain importance.

A new rebel ram has come down having her armor and plating put on. an early date.

gunboats inside the obstructions, beside some water batteries. The obstrucdriven into the earth, some eight feet same time very costly. beneath the water. It will require skill trees to obstruct the movements of our and daring to overcome these rebel means of defence. It is said that there The Examiner of Monday, the 12th, says are no less than four or five blockade

LATEST NEWS FROM GRANT. New Military Road Destroyed.

New York, December 14.—A Tribune Washington special says: Congressman Washburne, who returned to-day end draws nigh. Sherman has advanced from Gen. Grant's headquarters, repreto within twenty miles of Savannah. The sents Warren's movements as a perfect success, and that Grant is confident of the whole situation. Mr. Washburne himself feels more confidence in the future from this visit than from any

> process of construction, and was plies from the South. This was ruined General Lyon Across the Cumberland by Waren.

The Tribune's Army of the Potomac special thus sums up the result of Gen. Warren's expedition, by stating that in a rapid march of fitty miles he destroy-BALTIMORE. Dec. 15.—Augusta, Georgia ed three important bridges, over twenty miles of railroads, and a large amount of forage and other stores burned: the Sussex Court House was captured a

Sad End of the Heir to an Earldom.

The London Daily Telegraph says: The heir to the earl lom of Wicklow Barn-line Portobello Dolphin's Barn is at Sparta, Tennessee, with about ten column to the Coazawatchie. It is also re- line is a slum, and No 24 in that region thousand men. This gentleman speaks is of an order better understood than of what he knows, and the facts indicate on Fleetspur Creek, on Sanday. Nothing designated, kept by one Mary Lloyd, that Breckinridge intends to reinforce whose account of the demise of Capt. Hood, and, if possible, to reach the main following has been received at the Navy was received last night, from Port Royal W. J. Howard is all the epitaph his no- rebel army, but the position of our

> From New Abbey Kicullen where he forming a junction with Hood. had a wife and family, the captain came to her establishment sick to death. His stomach was burnt up with drink. this "noble scion's" and his body worn to pieces with debauchery, and so by the instinct of the life he led, he came to the old haunts to die. The treatment his disease received was simple also; when world. The discovery, which has been place had a professional regard for "Billy," and showed it in this fashion.

After a day or two of such regimen him to try and take a little food with more whisky. Even with such inducement his wretched stomach "sounnered" at it, as Christopher North describes a similar case; and more dink was administered, till the aristocrat began to ramble in his speech-not "babbling of green fields;" nothing so innocent even as Sir John's ending-but fancying himself at the top of a public house and

giving recklessly bibulous orders' By and by came the struggle and the rattle in the throat; and Mary Lloyd who had never seen a man die before this evening from the Atlantic Block- could not tell what it meant. But it seems the loathsome end of a bad life; it ment concerning the burning of the on the 16th instant. A joint naval and meant a soul going naked to God from land expedition under Admiral Dalli- the tenderness of a Delphin's Barn, and by an expedition from the United States gren and Foster proceeded from Beau- from the attentions of its wretched har sceamer Emma. She was leaded with fort up Broad river on Tuesday, Dec. em; it meant a gentleman by birth and arms and ammunition; and; bound for 6th, the object being to destroy the breeding pulled down by his own mis- Wilmington, N. C. She was run Pocatoligo bridge, ou the railroad be erable choice of a career to die upon the ashore under the gens, of the enemy's tween Charleston and Savannah. The couch of a courtesan, leaving the doctor's batteries. Denegal accompanied the expedition to and coroner's jury to inform us that the

A letter writer, in speaking of the extensive improvements now going on in Paris, under the influence of the Governi at, says: There are at this moment several

acres of ground completely deserted of

louses, in one of the most densely in. habited parts of Paris, near the Havre Railway station, in the heart of the town. Everything has been pulled down to make way for the new Boulevard Hausemann, so called after the Perfect of Paris, and other new and splendid, lines of thoroughfare Talook at the huge gap left and the haves made, one would suppose that a battery of cannon had been playing upon the spot for twenty-four bours. On the North side of Paris a small mountain is being leveled down and carted away to fill up a valley on the south side. where a space of more than a mile square is preparing for new building sites, and all from an entirely new quarter of the capitol. Besides the stupendeus repairs, or rather restorations of the Cathedral of Notre Dame, and of almost every other religious edifice in Paris, half a cozen new churches, some of them of gigantic size, are rising at different points. The new grand opera is costing milions and is rapidly urged forward. Then there is the prodigious task of rebuilding the immense Hotel Dieu, or great city hospital, the largest, New Orleans Era, says: The nearest perhaps in the world. And again, san the north east of the town, in the midst to be at Fish river, fifteen miles up the of the great manufacturing and iron-Mobile Bay. This is nothing more forge district, a new "People's Park" is being laid out, formed of what are callvery quietly on the defensive, with the ed the butts or kno'ls of Saint Chauexception of an occasional shot from the mont, very high rising ground, in a rebel batteries at our gunboats, simply rough state and worked as chalk and to get range. In either case nothing of gravel pits. More than twelve miles of rail and train roads have been laid down upon this to bring it into order. Tombigbee river and is now at Salema, and five hundred wagons drawn by steam engines and horses, with an im-She is reported to be a very formidable mense corps of laborers, are at work yesterday, at first indicated. It says the engine of war, of the pattern and style upon it. All this, of course, involves of the ram Tennessee, captured by us indefinite outlay. There are parts of during the Fort Morgan bomburdment, the town where the "oldest inhabitant" She is expected to arrive in Mobile at quite loses himself, so wholly are they transformed. I passed through one of There are said to be seven rams and these the other day, and found police stationed to show people the way, which I was obliged to ask myself, after a fiftions are very strong, and almost of an teen years' acquaintance! All this is impregnable nature, with large piles very wonderful and beautiful, but at the

St. Patrick's Body Found.

While the workmen engaged in the renovation of St. Patrick's Cathedral. runners at Mobile all eagerly waiting in Dublin—the oldest church in Ireland -were digging up a part of the flooring in one of the aisles, they discovered a large stone coffin of curious workmanship buried a few feet below the surface. The coffin was opened, and was found to contain the skeleton of an ecclesiastic. supposed to have been buried there some 900 years! The skull was perfect, and the bones crumbled into dust when exposed to the air. On the lid of the coffin there was a full length figure of a Bishop in his robes. It was inspected by some antiquarians, including Dr. Todd, who expressed it as his belief that it was the original founder of the that owing to the highly flattering prospects of oil along and is the vicinity of Big Whitely creek, that said company may be Whitely creek, that said company may be which we have heretofore supposed was which we have heretofore supposed was to extend their road to New Geneva in papers, which vouchsafe information that flavored the information of carefully contended to the garrison so suddenly that the men had not time to do anything, and the entire Federal force, exhibiting, and the entire Federal force, exhibiting, and the entire Federal force, exhibiting and the entire Federal force and destroy the new thing, and the entire Federal force, exhibiting and the entire Federal force and destroy the new that the men had not time to do anythetic and the federal force and destroy the federal fe

River.-Movements of Breckinridge.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 12 - The rebel General Lyon crossed the Cumberland river with his command, day before vesterday, at Yellow creek, about twenty miles below Clarksville. His force is reported to be about two thousand five hundred. When last heard from he was score or two of prisoners taken, and he moving toward Hopkinsville, Ky., and threatening that place. If he attacks, the garrison being small, it will be compelled to fall back to a stronger and

more proximate point. Breckinridge's position seems to be in doubt. A loyal gentleman, whose ble name is likely to receive. Mary troops under Stoneman and Burbridge indicates that he will have difficulty in

> TENNESSEE AND KENTUCKY. Breckinridge to Join Hood .-Rebel Force Moving on Hopkinsville, Ky-

Nashville, December 13.—The situation is unchanged. No advance has as solid as the best hooped barrels in the then more whisky; the inmates of the been made by the federal troops as vet. Grapevine intelligence states that an advance was to have been made to-day by our forces; but some skirmishing and society his voice got weaker, and transpired on the Harding pike, and sevhis face changed so that the women eral guns were dislodged from Fort were for sending to fetch the doctor; Negley. No results are reported. The "Billy" objected; and then they bribed slippery state of the ground renders locomotion impossible, and hostilites will be postponed until a change of weather occurs.

Gen. Sherman near Savannah.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.-A dispatch dated City Point Dec. 11th, states that the latest news contained in the Richmond papers of yesterday 10th, from General Sherman's army says that he was east of the Ogeechee river, twentyfive miles from Savannah, and moving on that place. On the 6th he had marched his army eighteen miles

Admiral Porter informs the Peparts blockade runner Ella, off Wilmington,

On the 3d instant six, rebel deserters