

THE AGITATOR.

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which the President and his Cabinet, are almost powerless—and against the combined influence of the press, all the departments of the government, are nothing.

The common school does little more than furnish the key to unlock the treasures of the paper; nearly all the information the people get, is derived from this source, and to the constant reader, it becomes an oracle—the famous Delphic Oracle, had not so many, nor such credulous believers.

THE COMPLETION OF THE TELEGRAPHIC LINE TO SAN FRANCISCO.—Communication by means of telegraph wires is now complete between Cape Race and San Francisco; and brief messages may be sent from one of those points to the other, a distance of 5000 miles, within two hours.

But one more step in our country's progress is needed to complete its commercial grandeur, and that is the construction of a railroad to connect these heretofore distant, but now, in effect, rapidly approaching sections.

Then, to send a communication to that outside portion of the world required many tedious months, and as many more to return; now a message may be sent to California more rapidly than the earth's surface is carried in the diurnal revolution of our planet.

ASSASSINATION CONTRABAND.—The Charleston Mercury of the 10th November has the following sentence: "The Yankee prisoners in South Carolina are safely in jail, where they will abide the issue of the trials of our brave privates-men of the South."

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SKETCH OF CAPTAIN CHARLES WILKES.—Captain Charles Wilkes, the captain of the San Jacinto at the time when she overhauled the Trent, is a native of New York, of which State he is a citizen, and from which he was appointed to the navy.

Dr. Gwin, for many years a U. S. Senator from California, and all the time a malignant conspirator with Mason, Sill, and other traitors, has arrived at New York a prisoner, where he is held by order of the Government.

It will be remembered that Mr. Richard Jenkins, the proprietor of the Democrat, was an active member of the so-called Union Convention which met in this Borough lately in September last.

Whether the snake that made the track, is going South, or coming back! Last week, however, the Democrat relieved its readers of all such doubts.

We recommend the County Standing Committee of the so-called Union Party, to call a meeting at once for the purpose of agreeing upon its principles! If this course of action be not taken, then the public will believe that one of two things is true: Either that the Pro-Slavery Democracy (one of the high contracting parties in the late Convention) has acted in bad faith with the Republican element; or that the whole thing was—what we always affirmed in regard to it—an immense political sell.

At any rate, if the lately born Union party expects to have a future, let it preserve its character, if it has any; let it not forget that consistency in carrying out its declaration of principles, is its very life-blood.

LATEST WAR NEWS. We extract the following intelligent Summary of the state of the campaign in Kentucky from Forney's Press.

The excitement which has prevailed throughout these encampments during the past week, has been too intense to describe. The rush for the news boys in the morning, reminds me of school-boys, every one trying to get out first.

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It is, therefore, his first intention: to be strong enough to resist Johnson along either of those lines, if he chooses to advance in force. His second purpose is, evidently, to advance with two strong columns, simultaneously from Nolich and Danville, upon Bowling Green.

Should the rebels not make an attack, this powerful force must make an advance upon Bowling Green between the 1st and 10th of December, one of the most lovely seasons of the year in that part of Kentucky.

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expects the river fleet to move at a very early day. The real, earnest, vigorous work of the Western campaign will soon begin.

The naval expeditions, under Butler and Burnside, will be ready to strike about the same time. No operations of modern times will be more extensive or grand.

FROM THE BUCK-TAILS. Winter weather—A word to grubbers.—The boys hear the Port Royal News.—Dr. Humphrey sick.—The tent fire-place.—No Buck-tails discharged yet.—Capt. Holland sends home \$1,000.—What a Suttler's Commission is worth.—Crocket greets the Teachers' Institute, &c., &c.

FRIEND AGITATOR.—I am seated in my little tent, which waves and flutters in the gale, that is constantly blowing from the north-east—with my overcoat tightly buttoned around me—a box of guns on my right, and my tent mates cuddled down among the blankets and straw on my left, shivering with the cold.

The country we passed through on our expedition, was almost desolate. The inhabitants appear to be almost heathens. This country, (you of course know) is a slave country, hence the result.

I must mention a little circumstance. When we were returning we saw a man setting out cabbage plants. Mr. Editor, what would you think if you should see one of your neighbors setting out young cabbage plants? We are now staying in camp, waiting for further orders.

Now to come down to our Company Officers; I could say much in their praise. Our company (company I) boasts of having the best officers of any company on the ground. Our Captain is a dashing little man; we place great confidence in him, we expect he will show as much bravery on the battle field, as his men do with hard crackers; too much cannot be said in his favor.

Your informant takes the responsibility to say that the most of the boys like the life of a soldier; it just suits the back woods boys of Tioga. I think the boys from Pine Creek, stand it a little the best, they are a set of tough, rugged fellows.

But I close, hoping this will meet your approval, and that we all, may hear often from our friends in Tioga County.

FRIEND AGITATOR.—For the last few weeks the army along the Potomac has been quiet, but I think the time has nearly arrived when this will give way to different scenes.

The paper states that they have hoisted the black flag. If it be true, God be praised, for it is better to exterminate them entirely, than to leave anything that will grow up into division in after years.

THE PILLAGING OF BRAUFORT.—A letter from Braufort, describing the pillage by slaves there, says every article of property which was valuable and portable was carried off, the beds and mattresses having been cut up in order to provide wrapping material for the numerous packages, and the feathers thrown from the windows.

Who are the traitors?—A telegram found by our officers at one of the forts captured at Port Royal clearly confirms the report that our secrets are known to the rebels.

At our store in Wellsboro, or at the mill. Cash or Goods delivered free of charge within the corporation. Wellsboro, Feb. 13, 1861.

bridges over turbid streams, &c., &c. That day we marched only fourteen miles, and encamped in a pleasant oak grove near the town of Centerville. This day was very warm, and caused some of our boys to drop out of the lines; but they afterwards "fetched up" with the regiment.

The next Thursday morning, we started on our return trip, taking with us a few prisoners which we kept with us the first day, but on the morning of the next, we met Brigadier General Howard, who led the prisoners go on parol, and their pledge of honor.

SLAVERY VANISHING.—The St. Louis Evening News says: Slavery is vanishing from Missouri more rapidly than its enemies predicted. Secession has made the State too hot for the institution, and secessionists are daily leaving the State for the South with their slaves, to escape the very dangers they themselves had invited and provoked.

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The EMANCIPATION OF THE SLAVES.—Col. Cochrane's Regiment received recently its Winter clothing. The new and beautiful uniforms made a gala day in the camp.

SOLDIERS: It is too late for me to make you a speech to-night, but I will say that I heartily approve every sentiment uttered by your noble commander. The doctrines which he has laid down I approved as if they were my own words.

The personal affection and respect manifested to the Secretary of War by the officers of the Chasseurs as he stood in their midst, gray-haired and worn with the exhausting labors of his Department, was a sight will not soon be forgotten by the hundreds of visitors who hastened to catch the key-note of the war.

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TIOGA CO. COURT PROCLAMATION.—Whereas, the Hon. Robert G. White, President Judge for the 4th Judicial District of Pennsylvania, and J. R. Bentley and J. C. Whittaker, Esq's, Associate Judges in Tioga county, have issued their associate bearing date the 14th day of Sept. 1861, and to me directed, for the holding of Orphan's Court, Court of Common Pleas, General Quarter Sessions and Oyer and Terminer, at Wellsboro, for the County of Tioga, on the first Monday of December, (being the 24 day), 1861, and to continue two weeks.