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HARRISBURG, PA.

JOSEPH F. McCLELLAN, PROPRIETOR.

(RECENTLY CONDUCTED BY WELLS COVERLY.)

This is a First Class Hotel, and located in the central part of the city. It is kept in the best manner, and its patrons will find every accommodation to be met with in the best houses in the country. se30-dtf

PEIPHER'S DAILY LINE!

BETWEEN PHILADELPHIA,

Lock Haven, Jersey Shore, Williamsport, Muncy, Uniontown, Watsontown, Milton, Lewisburg, Northumberland, Sunbury, Treverton, Georgetown, Lykenstown, Millersburg, Halifax, Dauphin

AND HARRISBURG.

The Philadelphia Depot being centrally located, the Drayage will be at the Lowest Rates. The Conductor goes through with each train to attend to the safe delivery of all goods intrusted to the line. Goods delivered at the Depot of Freed, Ward & Freed, 811 Market street, Philadelphia, by 5 o'clock, P. M., will be delivered in Harrisburg the next morning.

Freight Always as Low as by Any Other Line.

JOSEPH MONTGOMERY,
Philadelphia and Reading Depot,
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B. J. HARRIS,

Tin and Sheet Iron Ware Manufacturer,

NO. 112 *MARKET STREET*,

HARRISBURG.

HAS always on hand a full assortment of Tin and Japanned Ware, Cooking and Parlor Stoves of the best manufacturies, Gutter Spouting, *Roofing* and Galvanized Iron Cornish, manufactured and put up at reasonable rates.

☞ Repairing promptly attended to. apr30-dly

REMOVED.

JOHN B. SMITH

HAS removed his Boot and Shoe Store from the corner of Second and Walnut streets to

NO. 108 *MARKET STREET*,

Next door to Hayne's Agriculture Store, where he intends to keep all kinds of Boots and Shoes, Gaiters, &c., and a large stock of Trunks, and everything in his line of business; and will be thankful to receive the patronage of his old customers and the public in general at his new place of business. All kinds of work made to order in the best style and by superior workmen. Repairing done at short notice. [apr2dtf] JOHN B. SMITH.

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MORAVIAN FEMALE SEMINARY,

At Litiz, Lancaster Co., Pa.

FOUNDED 1794.

Affords superior advantages for thorough and accomplished female education. For circulars and information, apply to

REV. WILLIAM C. REICHEL,
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WOULD respectfully inform his old patrons and the public generally, that he will continue to give instructions on the PIANO FORTE, MELODEON, VIOLIN and also in the science of THOROUGH BASS. He will with pleasure wait upon pupils at their homes at any hour desired, or lessons will be given at his residence, in Third street, a few doors below the German Reformed Church. dec15-dtf

DAN'L. A. MUENCH, AGENT,

OF the Old Wallower Line respectfully informs the public that this Old Daily Transportation line, (the only Wallower Line now in existence in this City,) is in successful operation, and prepared to carry freight as low as any other individual line between Philadelphia, Harrisburg, Sunbury, Lewisburg, Williamsport, Jersey Shore, Lock Haven and all other points on the Northern Central, Philadelphia and Erie and Williamsport and Elmira Railroads.

DANL. A. MUENCH, Agent.
Harrisburg, Pa.

Goods sent to the Ware House of Messrs. Peacock, Zell & Hinchman, Nos. 808 and 810 Market street above Eighth, Philadelphia, by 4 o'clock, P. M., will arrive at Harrisburg, ready for delivery next morning.
apr30-rdaly

Medical.

DR. JOHNSON

BALTIMORE

LOCK HOSPITAL!

HAS discovered the most certain, speedy and effectual remedy in the world for

DISEASES OF IMPRUDENCE.

RELIEF IN SIX TO TWELVE HOURS.

No Mercury or Noxious Drugs.

A Cure Warranted, or no Charge, in from one to Two Days.

Weakness of the Back or Limbs, Strictures, Affections of the Kidneys and Bladder, Involuntary discharges, Impotency, General Debility, Nervousness, Dyspepsy, Languor, Low Spirits, Confusion of Ideas, Palpitation of the Heart, Timidity, Tremblings, Dimness of Sight or Giddiness, Disease of the Head, Throat, Nose or Skin, Affections of the Liver, Lungs, Stomach or Bowels—those terrible disorders arising from the Solitary Habits of Youth—those SECRET and solitary practices more fatal to their victims than the song of Syrens to the Mariners of Ulysses, blighting their most brilliant hopes or anticipations, rendering marriage, &c., impossible.

Young Men

Especially, who have become the victims of Solitary Vice, that dreadful and destructive habit which annually sweeps to an untimely grave thousands of Young Men of the most exalted talents and brilliant intellect, who might otherwise have entranced listening Senates with the thunders of eloquence or waked to ecstasy the living lyre, may call with full confidence.

Marriage.

Married Persons, or Young Men contemplating marriage, being aware of physical weakness, organic debility, deformities, &c., speedily cured.

He who places himself under the care of Dr. J. may religiously confide in his honor as a gentleman, and confidently rely upon his skill as a Physician.

Organic Weakness

Immediately Cured, and full vigor Restored.

This distressing Affection—which renders life miserable and marriage impossible—is the penalty paid by the victims of improper indulgences. Young persons are too apt to commit excesses from not being aware of the dreadful consequences that may ensue. Now, who that understands the subject will pretend to deny that the power of procreation is lost sooner by those falling into improper habits than by the prudent. Besides being deprived the pleasures of healthy offspring, the most serious and destructive symptoms to both body and mind arise. The system becomes deranged, the Physical and Mental Functions Weakened, Loss of Procreative Power, Nervious Irritability, Dyspepsia, Palpitation of the Heart, Indigestion, Constitutional Debility, a Wasting of the Frame, Cough, Consumption, Decay and Death.

Office, No. 7 South Frederick Street.

Left hand side going from Baltimore street, a few door, from the corner. Fail not to observe name and number.

Letters must be paid and contain a stamp. The Doctor's Diplomas hang in his office.

A Cure Warranted in Two Days.

No Mercury or Nauseous Drugs.

Dr. Johnson,

Member of the Royal College of Surgeons, London, Graduate from one of the most eminent Colleges in the United States, and the greater part of whose life has been spent in the hospitals of London, Paris, Philadelphia and elsewhere, has effected some of the most astonishing cures that were ever known: many troubled with ringing in the head and ears when asleep, great nervousness, being alarmed at sudden sounds, bashfulness, with frequent blushing, attended sometimes with derangement of mind were cured immediately.

Take Particular Notice.

Dr. J. addresses all those who have injured themselves by improper indulgence and solitary habits, which ruin both body and mind, unfitting them for either business, study, society or marriage.

These are some of the sad and melancholy effects produced by early habits of youth, viz: Weakness of the Back and Limbs, Pains in the Head, Dimness of Sight, Loss of Muscular Power, Palpitation of the heart, Dyspepsy, Nervous Irritability, Derangement of the Digestive Functions, General Debility, Symptoms of Consumption, &c.

MENTALLY.—The fearful effects on the mind are much to be dreaded—*Loss of Memory*, Confusion of Ideas, Depression of Spirits, Evil Forbodings, Aversion to Society, Self Distrust, Love of Solitude, Timidity, &c., are some of the evils produced.

THOUSANDS of persons of all ages can now judge what is the cause of their declining health, losing their vigor, becoming weak, pale, nervous and emaciated, having a singular appearance about the eyes, cough and symptoms of consumption.

Young Men

Who have injured themselves by a certain practice indulged in when alone, a habit frequently learned from evil companions, or at school, the effects of which are nightly felt, even when asleep, and if not cured renders marriage impossible, and destroys both mind and body, should apply immediately.

What a pity that a young man, the hope of his country, the darling of his parents, should be snatched from all prospects and enjoyments of life, by the consequence of deviating from the path of nature and indulging in a certain secret habit. Such persons MUST, before contemplating

Marriage,

reflect that a sound mind and body are the most necessary requisites to promote connubial happiness. Indeed, without these, the journey through life becomes a weary pilgrimage; the prospect hourly darkens to the view; the mind becomes shadowed with despair and filled with the melancholy reflection that the happiness of another becomes blighted with our own.

Disease of Imprudence.

When the misguided and imprudent votary of pleasure finds that he has imbibed the seeds of this painful disease, it too often hapens that an ill-timed sense of shame or dread of discovery, deters him from applying to those who, from education and respectability, can alone befriend him, delaying till the constitutional symptoms on this horrid disease make their appearance, such as ulcerated sore throat, diseased nose, nocturnal pains in the head and limbs, dimness of sight, deafness, nodes on the shin bones and arms, blotches on the head, face and extremities, progressing with frightful rapidity, till at last the palate of the mouth or the bones of the nose fall in, and the victim of this awful disease becomes a horrid object of commiseration, till death puts a period to his dreadful sufferings, by sending him to "that Undiscovered Country from whence no traveler returns."

It is a *melancholly fact* that thousands fall victims to this terrible disease, owing to the unskillfulness of ignorant pretenders, who by the use of that *Deadly Poison, Mercury*, ruin the constitution and make the residue of life miserable.

Strangers.

Trust not your lives, or health, to the care of the many Unlearned and Worthless Pretenders, destitute of knowledge, name or character, who copy Dr. Johnson's advertisements, or style themselves in the newspapers, regularly Educated Physicians incapable of Curing, they keep you trifling month after month taking their filthy and poisonous compounds, or as long as the smallest fee can be obtained, and in despair, leave you with ruined health to sigh over your galling disappointment.

Dr. Johnson is the only Physician advertising.

His credential or diplomas always hangs in his office.

His remedies or treatment are unknown to all others, prepared from a life spent in the great hospitals of Europe, the first in the country and a more extensive Private Practice than any other Physician in the world.

Indorsement of the Press.

The many thousands cured at this institution year after year, and the numerous important Surgical Operations performed by Dr. Johnson, witnessed by the reporters of the "Sun," "Clipper," and many other papers, notices of which have appeared again and again before the public, besides his standing as a gentleman of character and responsibility, is a sufficient guarrantee to the afflicted.

Skin Diseases Speedily Cured.

Persons writing should be particular in directing their letters to his Institution, in the following manner:

JOHN M. JOHNSON, M. D.

Of the Baltimore Lock Hospital, Baltimore, Md.

COAL Oil Lamp Shades, Wicks, Chimneys, for sale low by
NICHOLS & BOWMAN,
oct3 Corner Front and Market streets.

OUR newly replenished stock of Toilet and Fancy Goods is unsurpassed in this city, and feeling confident of rendering satisfaction, we would respectfully invite a call. KELLER,
91 Market street, two doors east of Fourth street, south side.

FRESH FISH every Tuesday and Friday at JOHN WISE'S Store, corner of Third and Walnut. mylly

Miscellaneous.

NICHOLS & BOWMAN,

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

GROCERS,

Corner Front and Market Streets,

HARRISBURG, PENN'A.

RESPECTIVELY invite the attention of the public to their large and well selected stock of

GROCERIES, PROVISIONS, FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC FRUITS.

We now offer for sale

Stewarts, Loverings Golden Syrup,

White and Brown Sugars of all grades,

Green and Black Teas,

Coffee, Spices and Flavoring [Extracts.

ALSO,

FLOUR,
FISH,
SALT,
LARD,
HAMS,
&c., &c., &c.

We invite an examination of our superior

NON-EXPLOSIVE COAL OIL,

Unequalled in every respect by any in the market, together with all kinds of

LAMPS,
SHADES,
BURNERS,
CHIMNEYS,
&c., &c., &c.

We have the largest assortment of

GLASSWARE & QUEENSWARE

in the city; also, all kinds of

CEDAR AND WILLOW WARE.

Call and examine at our old stand,

NICHOLS & BOWMAN,
sept12 Corner Front and Market streets.

STERLING'S AMBROSIA

FOR THE HAIR.

A HANDSOME HEAD OF HAIR is a crown of glory. With proper care and culture it will last as a protection to the head as long as the nails do to the fingers, or the eyelashes to the eyes. STERLING'S AMBROSIA is the only article yet discovered that will bring about the desired results. It is a preparation the result of science and experiment; the science pointing out what was needed, and experiment finding the required properties in certain roots, barks, and herbs. It has consumed a long time in its preparation, has been tested by persons of most undoubted reliability in this city, and is by them pronounced perfect, and the only satisfactory article, and is now offered to the public. The proprietors, determined to give it the most thorough tests, practical and chemical, and now certain that it will make the hair grow luxuriantly on Bald Heads, Preventing Grayness and Baldness, Reinvigorating and Beautifying the Hair, rendering it soft and glossy.

DR. STERLING'S AMBROSIA is a stimulating, oily extract of roots, barks, and herbs, and, aside from its neatness, permanency, and gloss, it is medically adapted to preserve and add to the beauty of the hair. *The only article yet discovered that will Cure the Disease of the Scalp, and cause the Hair to Grow.*

CERTIFICATES.

This is to certify that about eighteen months ago, I commenced using STERLING'S AMBROSIA. My hair was short, thin and rapidly falling out. I had tried many Hair Tonics, Invigorators, &c., without receiving any benefit. Soon after using the Ambrosia, my hair ceased falling out, and commenced growing so rapidly as to astonish me. Now my hair is thick, soft, and glossy, and is five feet four inches in length—when let down, reaching to the floor. This wonderful result I attribute solely to the use of STERLING'S AMBROSIA, as since I commenced using it I have applied nothing else to my hair.

MRS. LUCY A. BROWN.

Sworn to before me this 15th day of April, 1861.

H. N. PARKER, *Com. of Deeds.*
City Hall, New York.

☞ For Sale by D. W. GROSS & CO., Harrisburg, Pa. n14-d3m]

A RARE CHANCE

FOR A BUSINESS MAN.

THE canal grocery store and Rockville House, known as the Updegrove Lock Property, situated five miles above Harrisburg, fronting east on the Pennsylvania Canal and west on the Susquehanna river road, will be sold if applied for soon.

The grocery store, if not the very best stand on the line of the canal, is only equaled by one other. A large new barn and stable has recently been built, so that each boat team can be locked up separately. Also plenty of sheds, hay houses, corn crib, two store houses for grain, ice house, hay scales, and indeed every convenience that is necessary for carrying on the business. The place is within three hundred yards of the Rockville depot, on the Pennsylvania railroad, and Dauphin and Schuylkill railroad also. Persons wishing to purchase, please apply on the premises, to
an18-wtjan1st1863 W. P. HENRY.

THEO. F. SCHEFFER,

BOOK AND JOB PRINTER,

NO. 18, *MARKET STREET*,

HARRISBURG.

☞ Particular attention paid to Printing, Ruling and Binding of Railroad Blanks, Manifests, Policies, Checks, Drafts, &c. Cards printed at $2, $3, $4, and $5 per thousand in elegant style. [20

WALL PAPER AND WINDOW SHADES. Henry C. Shaffer has a large lot of Wall Paper and Window Shades on hand, which will be sold very low. Call and examine. Paper hanging personally attended to.
oct27 No. 12 Market St., near the Bridge.

CHIMNEYS, Wicks, Shades, and Glass Cones, for sale by
NICHOLS & BOWMAN,
d8 Cor. Front and Market Sts.

BUCKWHEAT FLOUR!!!

EXTRA FINE just received.
WM. DOCK, Jr., & CO.

FINE YORK STATE APPLES

FOR SALE, wholesale and retail, at
JOHN WISE'S,
no8-dtf 3d and Walnut.

KELLER'S DRUG STORE is the place to buy Patent Medicines.

The Telegraph.

SUNDAY READING.

A CONVERSION AT CAMP CURTIN.

BY A COLPORTEUR.

Written for the Morning Telegraph.]

William, a healthy, vigorous young man, about eighteen years old, was taken sick in the camp, and carried into the hospital. He was a very interesting youth, who had been well educated and religiously instructed. Like many young men, he had enlisted as a soldier, expecting to make himself a brave and distinguished man. But God in his providence very soon cut off all his hopes in this world.

I met him for the first time in the hospital. He was lying on his cot, in a weak and desponding state. I gave him a Sabbath school paper. When he took it, he said, "Ah that looks like home. I have always attended the Sabbath school. I know these papers well." I then asked him, "Have you a saving interest in Jesus Christ." "No," he said, "but I should have. We should be Christians. My mother is a good woman. She has told me about these things many times." I pressed upon him the duty of seeking the salvation of Jesus Christ immediately.

After a few days I saw him again, and gave him a tract, with some good advice. He said, "I must think more about these things; I don't know how it will go with me."

When I visited him the third time he spoke out with a full voice, before I could speak to him: "O, sir, I prayed all night long on this bed, that the Lord would have mercy upon me, and save me. O, I wish I was a christian; O, sir, I would give all the world to be a christian." I asked him if he was willing to give himself to Jesus Christ. "Yes, and I would give all the world to him if I had it." "Do you not think you love him now better than anything else?" He said, "I do feel more interest in these things than I ever did before; I will serve God hereafter; live or die, I will serve the Lord."

I was satisfied a great change had taken place in him, and all my subsequent communications with him confirmed this belief. In a few days William became delirious, and died. I believe he died the death of a christian.

Now, I could not say that I was the instrument of his conversion and salvation. The good seed had long ago been sown in his heart, by a good, pious, praying mother. The faithful teachings of a good Sabbath School instructor had also made good impressions upon his mind. The ground was cultivated, the seed was sown; it did, by the blessing of God, take root in the heart. But, by the providence of God, I was called to help gather in the harvest. One may sow the seed, another may reap the harvest, and gather it in for safe keeping. If we will work in the vineyard of the Lord, we can find something to do in gathering the children of God into the kingdom of Christ.

There is sweet comfort in the knowing that we have done anything—even tho least thing—towards saving a soul from death, and getting him into the kingdom of God.

JOHN W. DAVIS.

PRAYER A UNIVERSAL CHARACTERISTIC OF MAN.—Alone of all beings here below, man prays. Among his moral instincts there is none more natural, more universal, more unconquerable, than prayer. The child inclines to it with a ready docility. The old man recurs to it as a refuge against decay and isolation. Prayer ascends from young lips which can hardly murmur the name of God, and from dying lips, which have scarcely strength to pronounce it. Among every people, famous or obscure, civilized or barbarous, we meet at every step with acts and forms of invocation. Wherever men live, in certain circumstances, at certain hours, and under the influence of certain impressions of soul, the eyes are elevated, the hands join themselves, the knees bend in order to implore or render thanks—to adore or to appease. With transport or with trembling, publicly or in the secret of his heart, it is to prayer that man applies, as a last resource to fill the void of his soul, or to help him to bear the burden of his destiny. It is in prayer that he seeks, when everything else fails him, support for his weakness, consolation in his sorrows, hope for his virtue.—[*Guizot.*

EVERY MAN'S LIFE A PLAN OF GOD.—Every human soul has a complete and perfect plan cherished for it in the heart of God—a Divine biography marked out, which it enters into life to live. This life, rightfully unfolded, will be a complete and beautiful whole; an experience led on by God and unfolded by the secret nurture of the world; a drama cast in the mold of a perfect art, with no part wanting; a Divine study for the man himself and for others; a study that shall forever unfold, in wondrous beauty, the love and faithfulness of God; great in its conception, great in the Divine skill in which it is shaped; above all, great in the momentous and glorious issues it prepares. What a thought is this for every human soul to cherish! What dignity does it add to life! What support does it bring to the trial of life! What instigation does it add to send us on in everything that constitutes our excellence! We live in the Divine thought. We fill a place in the great everlasting plan of God's intelligence. We never sink below His care, never drop out of His counsel.—*Dr. Bushnell.*

HAPPINESS.—This forever looking forward for enjoyment, don't pay. From what we know of it, we would as soon chase butterflies for a living, or bottle up moonshine for cloudy nights. The only true course is to take the drops of happiness as God gives them to us, every day of our lives. The boy must learn to be happy when he is plodding over his lessons; the apprentice when he is learning his trade; the merchant while he is making his fortune. If he fails to learn this art, he will be sure to miss his enjoyment, when he gains what he sighs for. The greatest profits of a virtuous manhood are paid inside of a man. What is done chiefly, is done for your manhood; for your conscience; for your soul. God knows that you are going to live after to-day and to-morrow; he sees a road of exaltation in which you are to walk; he remembers that he is to lift you up and crown you with eternal honors in heaven; and therefore he takes care that he does not reward your fidelity principally by that which builds you up in your outward life, but by renumerations that shall last to all eternity.

REPENTENCE.—False repentance has grief of mind and humiliation only for great offences, until it supposes pardon for these obtained. True repentance is a continued war against sin, a paramount inward shame for its defilements, till Death sounds a retreat.—*Venn.*

BY TELEGRAPH.

From our Morning Edition.

FROM FREDERICKSBURG

THE FIRST NIGHT IN THE CITY

100 Union Soldiers Killed and Wounded.

COWARDICE OF THE REBELS.

The Whole Army Across the River.

CANNONADING COMMENCED THIS MORNING BY THE UNION TROOPS.

The Rebels do not Reply Very Spiritedly.

They are Entrenched One Mile from the City.

A TERRIBLE BATTLE EXPECTED.

HEADQUARTERS ARMY OF THE POTOMAC,
Nov. 12, 10 o'clock.

After occupying the river front of the city last night, we lost about one hundred killed and wounded while pushing the rebels through the city.

They fired on our men as they advanced through the streets while secreted in and behind houses. Not much mercy was shown to those who were caught.

This morning a dense fog hid everything from view, but it is now gradually passing away. The troops commenced moving across at an early hour. General Sumner's grand division leading the way over in front of the city, to be followed by General Hooker's grand division.

Gen. Franklin's Division, which crossed nearly three miles below the city, is nearly over.

At a quarter past nine o'clock this morning the first gun was fired, and the firing lasted for about half an hour, the rebels not making a very spirited reply.

It is thought the troops will be over by noon.

Information received during the night and this morning from deserters and prisoners show that the rebels have ten strong lines of batteries in the rear of the city, the first being one mile back, and the second a mile from the first.

The whole army is in rapid motion and well contented.

The troops are in excellent spirits and anxious to be led upon the enemy's works.

The enemy have concentrated their force and it is believed will give battle.

Much will depend upon the result of to-day, but all feel sanguine of success.

FROM WASHINGTON.

The McDowell Court of Inquiry.

EVIDENCE OF GENERAL KEYS.

THE PORTER COURT MARTIAL.

Examination of General Heintzleman.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.

Official information just communicated, warrants the assertion that the French Government has no idea of prosecuting any further their proposition for an armistice or mediation.

No propositions of any kind in any form, from any insurrectionary quarters, have been received by the President or any member of the Cabinet.

No discrimination in regard to the press was made or shown at the State Department in the publication of the foreign correspondence. A remedy will doubtless be applied to prevent future complaints.

The Navy Department has received a letter from Lieut commander English, dated coast of Florida, stating that the boats belonging to that vessel captured in Lorane river the English schooners Agnes and Ellen, and sent them to Key West for adjudication.

Much has recently been said about the invention of first assistant engineer Whittaker for firing guns under water. A dozen persons have brought similar plans to the attention of the Navy Department. It is no new invention or secret, having been successfully applied by Fulton and others. No practical importance seems to be attached to this subject.

M'DOWELL'S COURT OF INQUIRY—FRIDAY.

The examination of Maj. Gen. Key, and relative to the conferences of the various corps commanders and Gen. McClellan, referred to by the latter in his testimony, was continued.

He said at the conference at Fairfax Court House, Gen. McClellan spoke of some troops then in the Shenandoah Valley as one portion of the troops for the defence of Washington, and the unattached regiments in the vicinity to the other. He thought McClellan spoke also of the troops that were to arrive, but not in defence terms. The President had imposed upon the corps commanders the duty of making definite arrangements for the defence of the capital, and it was therefore resolved by the majority of the council on the 12th of March, that all the forts on the Virginia side or right bank, must be fully garrisoned, the forts on the Washington side occupied, and that there should be in addition a covering or moveable force of twenty-five thousand troops on the Virginia side. This was the opinion of McDowell, Heintzleman and witness, but Gen. Sumner was of the opinion that the number of troops to be left for the defence of Washington, including the forts, should be 40,000. The force in the Shenandoah Valley was not included among these troops, nor did the witness consider this force applicable for the defence of Washington.

Adjourned until to-morrow.

COURT MARTIAL OF GEN. PORTER—FRIDAY.

Maj.-Gen. Heitzelman was examined briefly, but nothing important was elicited.

Maj.-Gen. McDowell was examined with regard to his position, and also that of Gen. Porter, on and during the day of the battle of Manassas, the 28th of August. He testified in effect that previous to receiving the joint order set out in the specifications, which was directed to both him and Gen. Porter, he had, as a senior officer commanding the second corps, taken steps to secure the same ends. After receiving the order he gave certain directions to General Porter in regard to the movements of his (General Porter's) corps, and then left Gen. P. with his own and McDowell's corps to take part in the action. While on his way he met a messenger with an order to Gen. Porter, which order he examined, and which, in effect, gave the very same directions he himself had already given, so far as he knew. Gen. Porter had taken no part in the action of the 29th.

Gen. McDowell was cross-examined at some length, but nothing was elicited affecting the testimony he had given on direct testimony. The examination will be continued to-morrow.

THE EAST TENNESSEANS REBELLING AGAINST JEFF DAVIS' RULE.

NO PROSPECT OF AN IMMEDIATE ENGAGEMENT.

NASHVILLE, DEC. 11.

Reports from below state that Bragg has gone to Mississippi, and that Joe Johnston is in command of the rebel army of East Tennessee.

The small pox is raging at Chattanooga.

East Tennessee has *rebelled against the Rebels* to avoid the conscription act, and large numbers are in arms near Charlotte.

LOUISVILLE, Dec. 11.—Midnight.—The authorities at headquarters here are wholly unadvised of the events set forth in recent New York and Philadelphia "specials."

The Nashville train is now five hours behind time. The cause of the delay is unknown.

Gen. Boyle has ordered the Provost Marshal to empty the negro jails or slave pens of runaway contrabands taken up by three negro dealers. He has placed them around the military prison, and will employ them in other business.

LATER.

1 o'clock A. M., Dec. 12.—Advices just received at headquarters dispel all apprehensions of an immediate engagement in Tennessee.—John Morgan was seven miles north of Murfreesboro' to-day, organizing about 4,000 infantry and cavalry, with some artillery, for another raid into Kentucky.

FROM FORTRESS MONROE.

FORTRESS MONROE, Dec. 11.

The weather is now very fine here. The flag of truce steamer has not yet returned from City Point, and there are no other arrivals to record.

There are indications of important army movements here at present, but it would be improper to go into particulars.

LATE ROBBERY AT THE UNITED STATES TREASURY.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.

Gen. Spinner, U. S. Treasurer, has heard nothing of the stolen certificates, but states it as his opinion that the parties purloining burnt them. Such is also that of the police. In no case, however, can they be used.

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