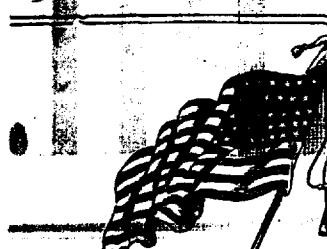


**Daily Telegraph**

Forever float that standard sheet!  
It breathes the foe but falls before us;  
With freedom's soil beneath our feet,  
And freedom's banner streaming o'er us!

**OUR PLATFORM.**  
THE UNION—THE CONSTITUTION—AND  
THE ENFORCEMENT OF THE LAW.

HARRISBURG, PA.  
Saturday Morning, October 26, 1861.

One that ago the Democratic party anticipated danger to the Union; and besought the people not to elevate to power the representatives of a party most obnoxious to the largest section, territorially, of the country.—*Patrick J. Conroy.*

This extract from a pitifully whining and personally fallacious article in the "Patriot and Leader" of this morning is sufficient to show the deliberate shifts to which men will resort, when they seek the perversion of the truth and the slander of patriots. There can be no doubt whatever, that one year ago such men as those who now control the columns of the old Breckinridge organ, did anticipate dangers if the rotten organization of the Democracy was broken up, simply because they were in collusion with those who were then plotting treason against the government, and the very admission of their anticipations prove that the editors of the "Patriot" and "Leader" of these plots if not participants in their origin and development. If such anticipations are the only arguments which the "Patriot" has to urge against the sacred principles of Republicanism, its cause is as ridiculous as its territorial claim for Democracy, so learnedly expressed in the same extract, in which it asserts that the Republican party is "obnoxious to the largest section, territorially, of the country." This is part of the wisdom and theory on which the Breckinridge followers still find their claim to rule, namely, because a few ambitious politicians have succeeded in spreading slavery over a vast extent of country, the millions of white freemen occupying a less space, must yield to the territorial superiority of the slave territory! The statesmanship of this wretched McDowell is doubtless due, not to the chivalry McDowell, but to the profound sagacity of the studite Barrett.

There is another point in this wonderful article which we comment to those Republicans who were seduced into the "Union" trap of these scheming hypocrites. They now proclaim their purpose to be the utter destruction of the Republican party! "We must do down the Republican party," says such men as Barret & McDowell, and doubtless to this, the gallant Col. McDowell will lend on that portion of John Breckinridge's life under his command. Would it not be well for Gov. Curtin to stipulate in the commissaries of McDowell that he should save his administration while he rushes to the edge for the purpose of putting down the Republican party? There is danger implied in the threat. The man who thus controls the pen, which poors claim's mightier than the sword, and also wields a sword, must be looked after.

But, haging aside, the leaders of the rotten old factions of Democracy are already showing their real feelings in this junction of the fatal crisis into which their corruptions have plunged the country. They imagine that they possess political power, and, at once they assert their intention of arresting this struggle, not however by a vigorous effort to suppress rebellion and punish traitors, but by putting down the Republican party, humiliatiing the national administration, and forcing the labor, the intelligence, the dignity, and the religion of the masses of the north, to succumb to the villainy, treachery, tyranny and ignorance of the slave oligarchs of the south. This is the Democracy of the Breckinridge clique—this is the peace policy of Barrett and McDowell—this is the real design of the men who have ever opposed northern interests and progress—nor is the article in the "Patriot and Leader" this morning does not prove a sympathy for those who lead in the rebellion for slavery, then its editors can only shew their guilty hopes and desires by unsheathing their daggers and pointing them at the throats of loyal men. And if they were convinced that such a course would assist in putting down the "Republican" party, they would advocate it freely as they now covertly advocate the cause of treason.

A few moments ago, the "Republican" Senator elect from Crawford and Erie counties, voted the payment of a bonus of \$1,000 to every Southern slave who produced his master's scalp. *See "Daily Democrat."*

John Dowry, the proposed "battal-  
lion" to consist of six hundred men with one hundred guns, the guns to have the capacity of carrying two pounds balls two and a half miles, and to have steel barrels rifled of superior workmanlike. They are to be light of mind, two wheeled carriages, each carriage carrying its own ammunition box. Instead of horses, with the trouble and time of hitching, and in hitching, this will give each gun carriage, which considering their extreme lightness, is less liable to carry away a mule and kumpeck. There are ten men to each gun, who, in addition of course, carry pistols and other small arms. A battalion of this kind is now organizing at Richmond, Indiana.

The "Democrat" has at last suspended the writ of habeas corpus for the District of Columbia. The judges and lawyers have made themselves so troublesome with their endless interferences with military affairs, that this has become necessary, and will be followed in all the other districts.

The "Democrat" is reported to have been sent to the superintendence of the rebel army in that state.

**WHO CONTROLS THE GOVERNMENT?**

Can any man of common intelligence believe that if slavery had never existed in this country, the south would now be in armed rebellion against the Constitution and laws of the land? Impossible! Or if by some residence power the institution were annihilated, the hostile armies would not be virtually disbanded in a month? This result would be inevitable. Slavery, with its corrupting influences of ignorance, pride, arrogance, ambition and tyranny, lies at the very foundation of this terrible rebellion. Can it be put down, and this treason be thoroughly crushed out and annihilated, without interfering with this system of slavery? Let us put this subject fully before the people. The authority of the general government must be re-established, either with or without the destruction of the institution of slavery. If the latter, what then will be the position of slavery among us in the future? The history of the past, the calamities of the present, and the hopes and interests of the future, all demand an immediate answer from the people. Interests as vast as a nation's peace, a nation's power, a nation's honor and glory, a nation's very existence—interests involving the prosperity and happiness of unborn millions, appeal to the people, the whole people, for a definite answer. And in making up that answer we call special attention to the following: If slavery is to exist under the general government when re-established, it must be either—1. Just as it was, with all its influence and political power, before the rebellion; and this is sufficient upon the government was made, or 2. Its privilege will be enlarged and its powers increased, or 3. Its powers and privilege and influence will be restricted.

Col. Philip Casey of company B, Thirtieth regiment of New York State Volunteers died of dysentery, in camp at Tilton's Hill yesterday. His remains will be taken to Troy for interment. A reconnaissance force made to-day from Gen. Smith's division consisting of two companies of 100 men each, and a battery companies of infantry, left two pieces of artillery. The result was the capture of eight rebels, fully uniformed, bearing firearms, and further information obtained of the position and forces of the rebels in the neighborhood of Fairmont Court House.

There are also five thousand volunteers in California, five thousand in Maryland, one thousand six hundred in Delaware, and two thousand in the District of Columbia, besides ten thousand regulars, which added together, will show the Union land forces to number five hundred and twelve thousand men. With such an army, under good generalship, what might not be accomplished?

**THE PHILADELPHIA POST OFFICE.**  
We notice by our contemporaries in Philadelphia, that the government is proceeding promptly to the work of refitting and adapting the buildings on Chestnut street, adjoining the Custom House, for postal purposes. The management of the work has been placed in the hands of Mr. J. B. Moorehead, who, in conjunction with Postmaster Walborn, has the entire cost of the alterations necessary, &c., &c., the building allotted to the business contemplated. These changes, with the removal of the post office from the center of Philadelphia, are all demanded for the public accommodation, and in pushing forward the work, Postmaster Walborn deserves great credit.

Another public want to be supplied in this improvement, is the fitting up of spacious rooms on the second and third stories of the building for the United States Court, Marshall's office, and room for jurymen, and witnesses. The people of the interior of Pennsylvania, as well as Philadelphia, having knowledge of the inadequate accommodations at present afforded for these purposes, cannot fail to appreciate the zeal of Postmaster Walborn in urging this improvement. The work, when completed, will greatly add to the architectural attractions of Locality, quiet, street, and contribute very essentially to the comfort and convenience of a large number of people.

**OUR TROOPS WITHDRAWN TO MARYLAND.**  
The New Orleans *Delta* publishes this paragraph concerning prominent citizens of New York:

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Gen. Sigel has given the following report of Edward's Ferry, and advanced, during this tempestuous storm in the night, with safety. Gen. Stone was among the last to leave the shore, and no accident whatever occurred.

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**GEN. PRICE IN FULL RETREAT.**  
The Rebel Price Compelled to Fight or Surrender.

**A REBEL CAMP BROKEN UP.**  
Seventeen Rebels Killed, a Large Number Wounded and Many Prisoners Taken.

**MOVEMENTS OF THE FEDERAL ARMY.**  
A gentleman from Gen. Sigel's advance guard reports that the rebels under Gen. Price left Cedar county, and were retreating towards Greenfield, Dale county. Gen. Sigel's advance guard was near Bolivar on Tuesday evening, and his main body at Quincy. Gen. Lane's force were at Oscoda, and Gen. Sturgis' entreated command one day's march behind. Gen. Sigel's was about as far south as Gen. Price. His force had cut off his retreat south, while Gen. Lane was only two days' march north of him. Gen. Fremont and staff were at the Potomac river, en route for Quincy. Generals Hunter and McKinstry's divisions were marching on Leesville via Seneca, and Col. Asboth was at Warsaw.

The bridge over the Osage river at Warsaw was completed, and the troops were crossing it Wednesday last. It is a trestle work, and the engineer, Patrick Collins, forgotting to put out the fire, the gas caught, causing a terrible explosion. The engineer and the driver were severely burned, but not dangerously. When our correspondent wrote, the well had been burning three days, and was still on fire, although repeated efforts had been made to extinguish the flames. The oil is consumed by the heat of the well, and hundreds of people will sit all day and night, to witness the extraordinary sight.

**FROM FORTRESS MONROE.**  
THE FLEET PREPARING TO MOVE.

**LATER FROM MISSOURI.**  
Fight in Carroll County—The Rebels Routed.

**FOR THE UNION.**  
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The Generals of the Union army, along the whole line, from the Atlantic to the Far West, have now at their control a magnificent force, perhaps, as ever were put under the command of any number of generals. From reliable sources we have compiled a table showing the number of troops each loyal State has now in the field or on their way to the seat of war:

State	Cav.	Art.	Total
Connecticut	4,183	1,000	4,283
Illinois	41,000	2,000	49,000
Indiana	36,000	2,000	32,500
Iowa	16,100	3,500	19,700
Kansas	4,000	1,000	5,000
Maine	29,000	—	29,350
Michigan	8,000	1,200	9,200
Minnesota	18,754	5,800	24,854
New York	35,000	5,000	90,500
New Hampshire	9,000	—	9,000
Ohio	63,000	3,500	67,100
Pennsylvania	51,000	4,000	55,800
Rhode Island	2,828	—	750
Vermont	5,000	100	5,100
Wisconsin	10,000	1,200	11,200
<b>Total</b>	<b>384,700</b>	<b>35,500</b>	<b>5,300</b>

Washington, Oct. 25.  
Later From Washington.

**THE MISSING SOLDIERS OF THE UPPER POTOMAC.****A RECONNOISSANCE IN FORCE.****An Additional Regiment of Cavalry from Pennsylvania.****THE PRIVATEER JEFF. DAVIS.**

Philadelphia, Oct. 25.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 25.

The jury in the case of William Smith,

charged with piracy in connection with the privateer Jeff. Davis, rendered a verdict of guilty this morning.

**MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.**

PHILADELPHIA MARKET.

Philadelphia, Oct. 25.

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