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We clip the following account of the assault on the rebel fortifications of Vicksburg from the Cincinnati Commercial. It is a very full and graphic description of the bravery of our soldiers :

wearied us all and disappointed most of us.---No army was ever more confident of achieving | fifty got discouraged and sought the shelter of a glorious success than was ours of entering a deep ravine. William Trogden, a private of we of victory, that we postponed it from day to day.

It became known on the morning of the 21st I did not hear of a single doubt being expressed as to the result. "To storm the works is to take Vicksburg," was the universal opinion repulsed with terrible loss. among both officers and men.

THE ENEMY'S STRONGEST POINT.

Gen. Grant was of opinion that the key to Vicksburg was in front of Gen. M'Pherson's corps-the centre of the rebel lines. There are a number of forts there, the two principal ones commanding the main road to Jackson. and directly in the rear of Vicksburg court House. To silence the guns here several of our best batteries were ordered into positionamong them three Parrott guns, manned and officered by the 1st regulars. Between our sharpshooters and our artillery, we silenced the guns in these forts, but, as we afterwards learned, that damaged the rebels only a little. Our shells set fire to a number of cotton bales inside of the forts.

Before two o'clock on the morning of the 22d our artillery had fired and destroyed three service magazines in rebel forts, one on the centre and two on the left. They were small affairs, judging from the explosions which occurred, THE ASSAULT ON THE CENTRE,

The assault was to have been made all along the lines at 10 o'clock a. m. The order was not yet obeyed, I think, by a single division of the army. At the appointed time, our lines occupied exactly the position assigned them on the previous day, and up to eleven o'clock | The rebels, no doubt, feel encouraged by their the skirmishers had not advanced, save those of one or two divisions. On the centre, the this feeling may operate against us in dispell-1st and 3d brigades of General Logan's divi-ing the gloom and despondency which could sion, commanded by Generals John E. Smith not but prevail in an army routed for the fifth and John D. Stevenson, advanced at about successive time, as the rebels were at Big Black and John D. Stevenson, advanced at about half past eleven o'clock. Two regiments of Stevenson's brigade were provided with sca ling ladders forty feet long, but had no opportunity to use them, being driven back before reaching the rifle-pits. Logan's men went forward bravely, but were met by overwhelm-ing numbers of the entrenched foe. Hundreds of them jumped into the ditches, but the number that reached the parapet was small .--Nearly two companies rushed into the fort and

under the leadership of Thayer. The assault was made by them at a terrible cost; but the promised succor did not arrive, and the prize had to be abandoned, when it could have been saved, had an equal spirit of courage and bravery been displayed by those from whom support was expected.

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General Blair on the left of the right wing, moved his men forward for the bloody work soon after its commencement by Steele. A volunteer storming party of one hundred and fifty men-ten from each regiment in the divisionwent up to the enemy's works, crossed the ditch, and climbed the parapet. The rebels were, for a time, afraid to show their heads above the rifle-pits long enough at a time to fire at this little band of valiant soldiers.

The storming party looked in vain for the support which had been promised it. The brigade which had been ordered to follow it hesitated. Finally all but one of the hundred and Vicksburg on the 19th. So fully assured were | Company B, 8th Missouri, refused to retrace a single step. He was color bearer of the storm-ing party. When his comrades left him, he dug a hole in the ground with his bayonet, that at 10 o'clock next morning the whole line planted his flag-staff in it, within twenty yards of the enemy's works would be assaulted, and of the enemy's rifle-pits, and sat down by the side of his banner, where he remained all day.

Gen. Tuttle's division joined in the assault

on the right, but shared the fate which befell the others-was repulsed. THE RESULT.

I have attempted no lengthened description of the carnage near Vicksburg on the 22d, for the reason that nothing occurred during the day a description of which would be more interesting because more detailed. It was nothing more than a single charge of the enemy's works, which should have been simultaneous, but was not. It was unsuccessful and disastrous, whether from bad management or disobedience of orders on the part of those to whom high commands were intrusted, or from the dreadful character of the work to be performed, I will not attempt to decide, There appears to have been a want of co-operation between subordinate and superior officers and commands. Storming parties went gallantly forward, but were left to perish for want of sup port. Regiments and brigades advanced nobly, but only to be disappointed in their expecta-

tions of receiving succor and help. The result of the battle had been disastrous to us in the loss of nearly 2,000 brave men.-We have lost no ground and the army is not demoralized, by its recent failure to take the strongest fortified position in the South. success in keeping us from their works, and | river.

OUR LOSS.

A correct estimate of our loss on the 22d will place the figures at 2,500 killed and woun-It is impossible to get an accurate stateded. ment so soon after the engagement. I find a disposition on the part of every command to exaggerate. At several division hospitals I heard yesterday of a 1,000 killed and wounded, were captured. The flag of the 7th Missouri was planted on the parapat aftar seven color bearers had been shot down. Amid a terrific when less than 200 would cover their loss. Our

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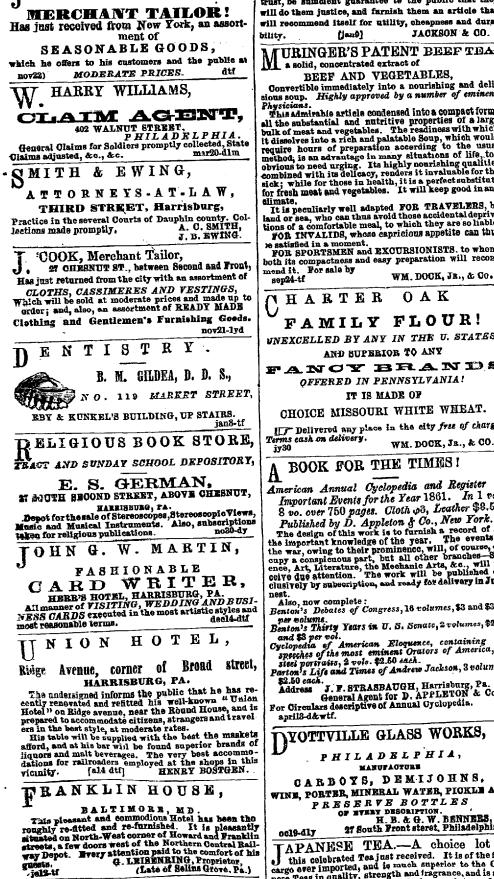
This country can't hold two independent nations. We don't intend to go in for war, "as a permanent institution." The rebellion must be crushed in the interests of peace, humanity and the development of civil liberty. The sooner it is crushed, the better for all parties. Think of the future glory of this nation when it is put beyond all doubt rebellions are over. A century will not see another one, if we crush the present outbreak. We will feel a steady assurance that our nation is exempt not only from internal perils but able to laugh to scorn all apprehensions of foreign invasion. Then, we will also try-if possible-to make stronger the guaranties of personal liberty in the whole country.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

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To the left of Logan, in the centre, General Quinby's division joined in the assault. Like their brave comrades under Stevenson and Smith, their valor and courage was great, but could not accomplish the work assigned them. They were driven back with heavy loss. Colonel Boomer, of the 26th Missouri, commanding the 2d brigade of this division, was killed on the field.

THE ASSAULT ON THE LEFT.

On the left Gen. M'Clernand commenced the assault earlier than any other commander. The first advance was made by M'Clernand's centre, Gen. A. J. Smith's division, of two brigades, commanded by Col. Landrum and Gen. Burbridge. As early as 11 o'clock, Landrum's men took a fort, and were in actual possession of it. Gen. Osterhaus, on their left, made a breach on the south side of the work, with his artillery. There were two companies of rebel soldiers in it at the time-one of them ran away, and the other actually burrowed their way through the earth to our men in front, and surrendered as prisoners. Landrum, on obtaining possession of the fort, put a pioneer force at work to throw up earthworks in the rear, so as to bring the guns of the forts to bear upon the rebels. In constructing the fortifications, the rebels left the rear of all the forts open, to give them an opportunity to assail our men, in the event of our success in driving them out. The flags of the 48th Ohio, 77th Illinois, and 19th Kentucky, floated from the inner slope of the parapet, from half-past seven o'clock a. m., till four p. m: At the latter hour, the rebels were seen preparing for a charge to retake the fort. An entire brigade was about to be pitted against a few companies. Our men did not receive the support which had been promissed them, and were compelled to fall back, leaving the enemy again in possession of the fort. The 48th Ohio acquitted itself very creditably in the affair. The conduct of its officers and men is highly spoken of. I enclose a list of the casualties of the regiment. Between twelve and one o'clock the 16th Indiana, atter a desperate charge, succeeded in capturing a fort to the right of the one in possession of Colonel Landrum. They held it gallantly against a determined assault, until relieved by the 48th Indiana, from whom it was

taken by a superior force of the enemy. The ighting on the left was done by the divisions of Gers. Carr, Osterhaus, and Smith, and way of a more desperate character, and of longer turation, than that upon the right or centre. M'Clernand and his men performed their part with energy and determination, but were urable to dislodge the enemy from his works, save temporarily in the instances I have mentioned. During the afternoon Gen. Grant received a dispatch from M'Clernand, to the effect that he had taken three forts, and would be in possession of the city soon, if immediately reinfored. M'Arthur's division of M'Pherson's corps was sent to his assistance, and, if I mistale not, two brigades of another division. Bit M'Clernand did not take Vicksburg. ON THE BIGHT.

The alsault on the right was commenced soon aftir ten o'clock by Gen. Thayer's brigade of steele's division, consisting of the 9th, d of this cimmand marched forward heroically, | easily or plausibly accounted for.

such an extent on the 16th, when they had to holding their fire to pour into the rifle-pits, meet us on more equal terms. Undercover of a breastwork there was nothing to hinder the gave them volley after volley, as they ap- rebels from selecting the leaders of our infantry columns as they marched up in face of their

dealy fire. The rebel loss was trifting, how much I cannot say, but probably less than one-fourth of ours. Two companies of the 7th Missouri were taken prisoners. This includes all of our captured, I believe, except those of our wounded who fell into their hands on the fortifications.

POWER OF IMAGINATION.

The sweet influence of faith and hope was scarcely ever known more remarkably than in some imaginative medical practice of the Prince miseries that constant fatigue, anxiety, and bad provisions could bring upon its inhabitants .---The scurvey broke out and carried off great numbers. This, the seeming helplessness of the defence, disposed the garrison to a surren-der; but the Prince of Orange, not willing to lose the place, but unable to retain it, contrived to send letters to the soldiers, promising them speedy assistance, and sending pretended medicines against the scurvy, said to be of great price, and still greater efficacy.

The small vials were given to each physician and it was said that three drops were sufficient to give a healing efficacy to a gallon of water. Not even were the commanders let into the secret. The seldiers and people flocked around. the physicians in crowds.

Cheerfulness was upon every countenance. Many of the sick were speedily and perfectly recovered. Such as had not moved their limbs for a month before, were seen to walk, with their limbs straight, sound, and whole, boasting their cure by the Prince's remedy.

When we have such facts as these, how are we to discuss or examine the pretensions of any medicine or medical system? And the experience of almost every person can furnish facts of a similar extraordinary character.

For example, the hands are covered with warts. You try acids, caustic, and the actual cantery, but with no benefit. The old ones grow out again, and new ones are coming. They are uncomfortable and hideous, and you are in despair.

Some day a stranger offers, for a sixpence. to send these warts all away. He counts ten, and writes the number on a slip of paper which he puts in his pocket, and you see him no more.

In a fortnight all the warts, new and old big and little, have disappeased, and never again return—perhaps he annointed the paper or was it the expectation of a cure? You had faith enough to give the sixpence, which you were assured was a mere formality. As to expecting a cure, you probably quite forgot it, until, one day, the annoying excrescences were

gone. A friend of the present writer, an artist and a man of business, had an attack of fever and ague, which, for several months, baffled all the ordinary means of cure. Some one told him of an old German, who had cured many cases, and at last, out of annoyance and curiosity, he went to see him. It is hard to sav whether he had faith or hope in the old Ger. man; but he knocked at his cabin door.

"Goom in," grunted Mien Heer. Our friend entered. "Ah! you got der chills and fever." said

the old fellow, without moving from his chim-ney-corner. "Well, you can go-you won't have dem any more."

He went, as he was bid, and did not have another fit of ague. There could scarcely be a ich, 26th and 80th Iowa regiments. The men | cheaper or less troublesome cure: but it is not

MEDICINES THAT CURE .- One of the special peculiarities of Dr. Ayer's preparations is, that they accomplish what is promised for them. Who, in this community, does not know that of all the cough remedies the CHERRY PECTO-RAL is by far the best? Who that ever uses pills but will tell you AVER'S PILLS are at once the mildest and most searching, the most effec-tual of all? Did anybody ever hear of his AGUE CURE failing in a single case? Not an instance has been found where *Ever and Ague* has resisted the faithful trial of it. This may seem a bold assertion, but we are assured it is true. And still more important are the effects of his alterative called EXTRACT, OF SARSAPA-RILLA. One after another, patients come forth from their leprosy, cleaned and purified into health, by this witchery of medico-chemical skill. Saturated with the accumulated rottenness of years, and poisoned by the corruption of their own blood, they could only live to suffer. This master combination, purging out the foul impurities, has instilled the vigor of health, and restored them to the enjoyment of life again. If these are truths, and they are, should not our readers know it? What facts can we publish of more vital importance to them ?- Courier, Princeton, Ky.

WELDED IRON CUPOLAS AND FORTS --- The common method of constructing iron cupolas for revolving batteries is with iron plates bent by machinery, planed at the edges and after-wards fastened together with bolts. W. L. Tizard, of London, proposes to construct such cupoles-and has taken out a patent for the purpose---of welded plates, thus making them solid masses of iron. He proposes to bend the plates, and fit their edges together, then apply the intense heat derived from a stream of ignited oxygen and coal-gas, and having heated them to a welding temperature they are to be hammered by machinery. The gas for heating the metal is to be conveyed in flexible tubes and may be directed on any point so as to produce a perfect weld. Such mechanism and apparatus for welding iron plates would undoubtedly be expensive, but not inpracticable, and solid iron cupolas may thus be constructed

GEN. HOOKER'S VALUE IN THE WORLD OF COMMERCE.-The London Shipping Gazette, May 16th, says:

* * * "The selection of Gen. Hooker for the recent very hazardous enterprise was not a fortunate one. The antreedents of that individual, whether in this country or in America are not of a nature to inspire confidence, and it is but a small satisfaction to his patrons at Washington that they who know Gen. Hooher best are not disappointed in the man or in his performance."

[We don't exactly understand what this means-but it evidently means something.]