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Hon. Charles L. Lambertson,
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Delivered in the Senate of Pennsylvania,
January 27, 1864, on the question of
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subsequent adventures, is published in the
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that Morgan and his six companions re-
sorted to, such as secretly boring through
brick walls for many nights, making a
rope ladder from strips of bed-tick, etc.,
the account proceeds:
After 23 days of unremitting labor, and
getting through a granite wall of six feet
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tumbled up for some distance, and light
began to shine. This was the morning
of the 26th day of November, 1863. The
next night, at 12 o'clock was determined
on as the hour at which they would at-
tempt their liberty. Each moment that
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entered increased their apprehension.
Nothing remained to be done but for the
General and Col. Dick Morgan to change
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each stood at the other's cell door with
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pulled their doors shut.
Six, eight, ten o'clock came. How each
pulse throbbled as they quietly awaited
the approach of twelve! It came—the sen-
tinel passed his round—all well. After
waiting a few moments to see if he in-
tended to slip back, the signal was given—all
quietly slipped down into the air cham-
ber, first stuffing their flannel shirts and
placing them in bed as they were accus-
tomed to lie. As they moved quietly along
through the dark recess to the terminus
where they were to emerge from the earth
the General prepared to light a match.—
As the lurid glare fell upon their counten-
ances a scene was presented which can
never be forgotten. There were crouching
seven brave men, who had resolved to
be free. They were armed with bow-
knives made out of case knives. Life in
their condition, was scarcely to be desired
and the moment for desperate chance had
arrived.
The inner wall, by the aid of the rope
ladder was soon scaled, and now the outer
one had to be attempted. Captain Taylor,
(who by the way, is a nephew of old
Zach), being a very active man, by the
assistance of his comrades reached the top
of the gate, and was enabled to get the
rope over the wall. When the top was
gained they found a rope extending all
around, which the general immediately
cut, as he suspected it might lead into the
warden's room. This turned out to be
correct. They then entered the sentry
box on the wall and changed their clothes,
and let themselves down the wall. Sliding
down the general skinned his hand very
badly, and all were more or less bruised.
Once down they separated, Taylor and
Shelton going one way, Moker-Smith and
Bennett and McGee another, and Gen.
Morgan and Captain Hines proceeding im-
mediately toward the depot.
The general had by paying \$15 in gold,
succeeded in obtaining a paper which in-
formed him of the schedule time of the
different roads. The clock struck one,
and he knew by hurrying he could reach
the down train for Cincinnati. He got
there just as the train was moving off—
He at once looked to see if there were any
soldiers on board, and spying a Union
officer, he boldly walked up and took a
seat beside him. He remarked to him
that "as the night was damp and chilly,
perhaps he would join him in a drink." He
did so, and the party soon became
very agreeable to each other.
The cars in crossing the Scioto were to
pass within a short distance of the peni-
tentiary. As they passed the officer re-
marked, "There's the hotel at which Mor-
gan and his officers are spending their
leisure." "Yes," replied the General, "and
I sincerely hope he will make up his mind
to board there during the balance of the
war, for he is a great nuisance." When
the train reached Xenia, it was detained
by some accident more than an hour—
Imagine his anxiety, as soldier after sol-
dier would pass through the train, for fear
that when the sentinel passed his round at
2 o'clock their absence might be discov-
ered.