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Requirements of the Day.

The following article, from the Chicago *Tribune*, does not alone speak the sentiments of the Northwest. It suits the feelings of the loyal people of this latitude exactly, and we cordially endorse it, as will nine-tenths of the loyal people throughout the country.

It is marvelous that the Administration at Washington cannot be made to understand the wishes of the people. The cry has gone up to Washington long and loud from those States from which men, money and provisions come to carry on the war, for the inauguration—firmly, decisively and vigorously—of the new policy of crushing out the rebellion. Will the voice of the united people be heard in vain?

The authorities at Washington need be under no misapprehension as to what the people of the Northwest demand in the future conduct of the war; because there is hardly a journal in the half-dozen Northwestern States, no matter what its political antecedents or present affiliations, that does not, every issue, enforce these demands with whatever ability it possesses. Attentive readers of the public papers and close observers of the currents of popular opinion, we have no hesitation in putting down in black and white the ultimatum with which the people of the West will bo content. The people ask,

I. A more vigorous prosecution of hostilities, the leadership of commanders who are not afraid to strike a rebel head whenever they see it, and the degradation of such animals as Don Carlos Buell and others of his stripe, whose ideas of conquering the rebellion extend no further than the doing of pleasant things at rebel bidding.

II. The employment of slave labor wherever the tasks of our loyal troops may be lessened thereby—its employment in the non-military offices of the field and camp, in ditch-digging, road-making, train-driving, in hunting the sick, in cooking and washing, and in whatever else the emancipated slaves may profitably do.

III. Some system of procedure—some definite instructions to quartermasters and commissaries—by which our loyal boys in the enemy's country may live as well as the niggers of the secessionists, and that, too, at rebel expense. We mean not that the soldiers of the loyal army shall be allowed to enter any house or field and take what their cupidity or their hunger craves; but that when in service their commanders shall seize for their use what their physical health requires, settling with the disloyal owners as they may.

Here are the requirements which, if we are not mistaken the people of the West who have sons and brothers in the army, will not forget. They are the out-croppings of experience of common sense, not the policy dictated by "bigger fanaticism" or a revengeful spirit; and the necessity for making them instantly operative seems to us to be imperative. The soldiers are crying out in every letter that comes from the camp that their toil seems to naught; that they are led by their who have not or will not meet the foe; that they are wearied to death with ditch digging, marching, and counter-marching, guarding rebel potato-patches and keeping the slaves of rebels out of their lines; that they are without relief in their most disagreeable tasks, though thousands stand ready to aid them: that they are sick nigh unto death of camp fare; that, cut off from all vegetables, milk and soft bread, it is more than human to expect that they will not encroach upon rebel enclosures; that it is too bad, in this, a season of abundance, to see loyal men dying of scurvy in the midst of the means of cure, that they are not allowed to touch.

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THINK OF THAT!—The Louisville *Journal*, a paper which would be likely to know, says there has been many an instance in which a rebel guerrilla has aided in the murder of loyal troops, stationed for the protection of his own property.

Is not such folly on the part of our Generals almost incomprehensible on any other ground than that they have strong sympathies for the South, and hope to see the war closed by some compromise with the rebels, which will place the South in the vantage ground she has occupied for so many years. These old army officers have hitherto found that promotion has only come by cringing to the South, and they cannot lay aside their respect for Southern power.

MAGOFFIN.—Beriah Magoffin, Governor of Kentucky, who has always been a traitor at heart, differing from Breckinridge only in lack of courage to take up arms against his country, has called a special session of the Legislature of that State to give *him* soldiers and money to protect citizens against what? The particular thing specified in his message is the mild emancipation scheme commended by the President to the Border States. This looks very much like an attempt to levy war against the United States. Fort Lafayette holds scores of better men than Magoffin, and he ought to have been there a full year ago.

GEN. LUCIUS DESHA, ex-mayor Sam. Janary, M. Garnet, and Rev. Mr. Smiley, and two other prominent citizens of Cynthiana, Kentucky, were brought as prisoners to Newport barracks, opposite Cincinnati, on Saturday night. These rebels have all before been arrested and released on parole, but were all engaged in aiding the brigan Morgan in his recent raid. For thus violating their parole they will probably be made acquainted with the suffocating qualities of Kentucky hemp.

A TEST PLATE.—The Nashau Iron Company have just finished for the Government a test plate fifteen feet long, forty inches wide, four and a half inches thick, and weighing ten thousand pounds. This plate is considered ball proof, and will put to test some of the new projectiles which have recently been invented.

RESIGNATION OF POSTMASTER KASSON.—The Hon. John A. Kasson, First Assistant Postmaster General, having been nominated for Congress by the Republicans of the Fifth District (Iowa,) has tendered his resignation as First Assistant Postmaster General.

MICHIGAN.—Recruiting is going on gloriously in this state. It is expected that the whole new quota will be ready to take the field in a shorter time than the first four regiments were.

Drafting.

We select the following articles from different sources, to show how the public mind is drifting. The first extract is from a letter from Harrison's Landing, dated July 27th, urging the absolute necessity of immediately filling up the shrunken regiments:

There remains the rub—how to do it. I say by drafting. This whole army say by drafting. It isn't likely it can be done by bounty-conxing, and *it must be* done. Drafting is the alternative.

Crash together your new organizations up there in the States so soon as half a dozen of them will make a regiment fit for garrison duty in Baltimore. Use the ambition of your little great men so long as their personal influence shall recruit freely, so long as extravagant bounties will buy patriotism, and thus—except where their "Legions," and their "Guards," and their "Rifles," and their "Zouaves," and their "Chasseurs," shall count up to the maximum—why, smash them together! And then order drafting. Better if volunteering had not been tried, since drafting will surely come.

I write again and again the word "drafting," with peculiar pleasure, with savage pleasure, like the man who has made up his mind to a severe measure, and delights in it—"drafting."

I inclose a copy of a letter lately addressed to the Adjutant-General of New York on the subject of skeleton regiments. New York has 60 regiments in this army—not far from 25,000 men.

The salaries of the officers of a single regiment for one month amount to $52,000. For a year to $624,000.

In these 60 regiments there are men to fill not more than half that number, so that the officering of the remaining 30 is unnecessary expense. Say 30 regiments one year $1,872,000.

On the score of economy alone those regiments should be crowded to the full extent of their muster-rolls.

Of course the same statements hold good, and the same course should be pursued with regiments from other States.

The letter appended recommends consolidation as the remedy, but the facts and arguments now with equal, and perhaps more force, the necessity of filling up the old organizations.

The New York *World*, in an article on the slowness of recruiting, says:

We join in the universal loyal cry for a more vigorous prosecution of the war. The only manifestation of vigor that will *tell*, that will carry an abiding conviction to every Northern home that the Government is at last fully aroused and thoroughly in earnest, is an immediate draft. Drafting would not necessarily displace the system of voluntary enlistments. It would give us men for immediate service, while a continuance of enlistments would keep up and supplement the volunteer force in the field. A draft would probably give a needed impulse to voluntary enlistments. At all men of the military age are subject to draft, and, if drafted, would receive no bounty, many would enlist partly to avoid the shame of waiting to be drafted, and partly to secure the heavy bounties offered for voluntary recruits. The President has no power to draft except for nine months. Let him call out, by this method, an adequate force of the militia for manning all our numerous scattered defensive positions, and we shall immediately have experienced troops enough to resume a vigorous offensive. Recruiting of volunteers could then go on without that painful sense of its inefficiency and tardiness which now weighs on the spirits of all loyal men.

The Chicago *Tribune*, in an article on the subject of bounties, says:

Every reasonable man sees that drafting must be resorted to at last. Far better would it have been had the rule become a general one from the first. It will be a disadvantage to the service to have in the same regiments, and shoulder to shoulder, two different classes of men, those who have come forward under the spur of bounties and those who were drafted. The war has become an actual fact. The doubt that any may have entertained that the rebellion was simply a temporary disturbance to be put down by police, has given way to a sounder and more sensible conception of the fact that we have a foe in the field against us a determined and dangerous enemy, who will yield to no less material appeals than ball and bayonet, and with whom artillery will do the best argument.

The President should have called for a draft of one million men, in two classes, one of five hundred thousand to take the field at once, the other to be put under drill and constitute a reserve. There should have been no bounties offered, for if men go into the ranks for patriotism, they need no such added reason, and if they go for hire, the sum is far too inadequate. We would not that a single dollar raised by private subscriptions or public appropriation should be withheld, but rather that the sum be increased ten-fold and become a sacred trust for the families of those who must go. The draft is near at hand, and there will be many cases where the care for the soldier's family must be a sacred duty. This is better than bounties. We must look to nothing else than the draft to keep our army full, and the public must come forward generously in behalf of those who go.

Activity of Maryland Rebels.

The rebels in Maryland have within a few days manifested a reviving life, have held secret meetings, made boastful prophecies, and threatened Union men. Some of the newspapers in the lower counties publish notices of recruiting rendezvous in Virginia for rebel regiments, and advertise convenient routes northward for deserters from the National army. An organized underground railroad carries deserters through Prince George's county by way of Fair Haven. Gen. Wadsworth followed up the track of this railroad to the houses of two large planters belonging to the most aristocratic families in Maryland, and arrested the proprietors, Wm. Hill, brother of Clement Hill, of Baltimore, and one of the Bowles.

Measures of precaution have been taken in other directions, and stringent punishment will be promptly dealt out, if the rebel tendencies of the slaveholders dare to take the form of more open action. It is believed that if Gen. Wadsworth and Wool had been allowed energetically to follow the dictates of their own judgments in all respects, before now axes would have been laid at more than one rebel tree in Maryland, and estates belonging to leading rebels, which it is made the duty of the President by the Confiscation act to seize, would have passed into the possession of the Government.

Lieut. Shearer, of the 1st rebel Maryland regiment, was arrested last week at Hancock and taken to Hagerstown. He was finely mounted and had been recruiting in Washington and Frederick counties for three weeks with indifferent success, as he said. The Provost Marshal of Hagerstown has arrested several prominent citizens of the county who refused to take the oath of allegiance. It has been administered to a large number of persons suspected of rebel tendencies, many of whom, hither among the loudest in denouncing the government, took it rather than go to jail.

Washington Items.

The following items are from the specials to the New York *Times*:

A VIGOROUS WAR POLICY.

You may rely upon it that a vigor never before known in the conduct of the war is henceforth to mark the policy of the Government. Organization is perfect and material abundant, and soldiers are pushed rapidly to their places in the field.

SECRETARY STANTON AWAY FROM HOME.

Gen. Halleck and Secretary Stanton attracted considerable attention at Willard's, to night, by appearing together in the lobby. The Secretary is not often seen so far from the War Office.

LORD LYONS AND THE ROGUS CONFEDERACY.

The statement that Lord Lyons has written to a member of the Legation that England would recognize the bogus Confederacy, is, of course, without foundation.

CARS ON PENNSYLVANIA AVENUE.

The cars commenced running regularly today on the street railroad in Pennsylvania Avenue. The track is in order from the Capitol to the State Department.

FROM MEMPHIS AND CAIRO.

Humboldt not Captured by the Rebels--Railroad Communication still Open to Corinth--An Infamous Traitor Hanged by General Dodge.

CAIRO, July 29.—I have just arrived from Columbus. Two trains have arrived—one on the Mobile and Ohio railroad, at 7 o'clock. The accounts previously received