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Important Correspondence.

We publish to-day the correspondence between Generals Halleck and Lee, commanders-in-chief of the Federal and rebel armies. The New York *World* well remarks, that if Gen. Halleck will direct his sword as well as he has his pen, the result of our present conflict is not doubtful. His replies to the groundless charges of the rebel general are conceived in the tone and expressed with the dignity becoming the representative of a great power. To the falsehoods and the impudence of the second letter Gen. Halleck properly makes no reply. He simply declines to receive it.

The correspondence needs no comment. On our part it is all that could be desired. As for the rebel epistles—their effrontery is matchless. The mutilated dead on the Manassas hill sides, the drinking cups made of our soldiers' skulls now hanging in many southern homes, the repeated cheats to which we have been subjected in the exchange of prisoners, the firing upon scalded drowning sailors, the murder of a sick General in his ambulance, the brutalities to our sick and wounded prisoners at Richmond and Charleston, give the lie, as no words can, to Jeff. Davis' astounding device to get credit abroad for a higher civilization in the Confederacy than that of the people against whom he has raised his infamous rebellion.

Well Done, Mr. Stanton--The Traitor Olds Arrested.

In a late article we called upon Mr. Stanton to arrest the traitor, Dr. Edson B. Olds, of Lancaster, Ohio, Democratic candidate for Congress in that district. Mr. Stanton has anticipated our request. On Tuesday night last Olds was arrested and sent to Fort Lafayette, where we hope Vallandigham will soon follow him. This Olds, on the stump, threatened to resist the draft if it was attempted to be made. The following particulars of the arrest we take from a Columbus dispatch to the Cincinnati *Commercial:*

Columbus, Aug. 13.—The arrest of Dr. Edson B. Olds, of Lancaster, last night, became known here this morning. The order was signed by C. P. Wolcott, Assistant Secretary of War, and stated the cause to be disloyalty, using treasonable language and interfering with enlistments. It was placed in the hands of W. P. Scott, of the National Detective Police, and an assistant, who reported here at noon yesterday. They left here at 2 p. m., accompanied by Col. Bliss, and were driven thirty miles to Lancaster, making but one change of horses on the road.

The arrest was made at 10 p. m., Dr. Olds being in bed at the time. Resistance was offered, and the chamber door had to be broken open. A crowd was raised by the cry of "fire," and some threats were made of rescue, but none attempted.

Olds attempted to throttle the assistant detective, but was compelled to desist by the presentation of a loaded pistol by Scott.

The prisoner was afforded time to pack a change of clothing.

The only other parties in the house were his daughter and son-in-law, who were bitter in denunciation.

The crowd collected by the cry of fire, were about equally divided for and against the arrest. One man, as the party left the house, asked Olds if they should rescue. His name was taken, and Scott threatened to shoot the first man who made the attempt.

In making the arrest Scott was struck by Olds or his son-in-law with a tongs. The firmness of the officers subdued Olds and his friends, and the party drove off without further obstructions. The officers with their prisoner arrived here at 4 p. m., and were immediately transferred to the Cleveland train en route for Fort Lafayette.

The Western Theological Seminary--The Directors, Their Meetings and Duties.

So many inquiries are made of us, both personally and by letter, relative to the powers and duties of the Directors of the Theological Seminary, that we deem it proper to answer in our columns.

The Western Theological Seminary is placed by the General Assembly under the care of *forty* Directors, twenty-eight of whom are ministers, and twelve are Ruling Elders.

The Directors meet annually, at the close of the session, also on their own adjournment, or when duly called. Nine members, five of whom must be ministers, constitute a quorum.

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"Sec. 3. The President of the Board, or in the event of his death, absence, or inability to act, the first Vice President shall, at the request of any three members expressed to him in writing, call a special meeting of the Board of Directors, by a circular letter addressed to each; in which letter notice shall be given, not only of the place and time of meeting, but of the business intended to be transacted at the meeting notified; and this letter shall be sent at least *twenty* days before the time of said meeting."

"Sec. 10. The Board of Directors shall inspect the fidelity of the Professors, especially in regard to the doctrines actually taught; and if, after due inquiry and examination, they shall judge that any Professor is either unsound in the faith, opposed to the fundamental principles of Presbyterian Church government, immoral in his conduct, unfaithful to his *trust*, or incompetent to the discharge of his duties, they shall faithfully report him as such to the General Assembly. Or if the longer continuance of a Professor be judged highly dangerous, the Directors may immediately suspend him, and appoint another, till the whole business can be reported and submitted to the Assembly."

This language, under a very strict construction, gives not much power over a Professor, while, under a liberal and comprehensive interpretation, it clothes the Directors with immense power, and devolves upon them corresponding responsibilities. The true friends of a Seminary will say, save the institution, save our young men. If a Professor, from either perversity of heart or obstinacy of spirit, puts himself or keeps himself in an equivocal position, let him, and not the Seminary, bear the damage. The action of the Directors, it will be noted, is not final. At most it is but a suspension of the Professor, till the next meeting of the General Assembly, while another may be employed to do his work.

The duties of the Directors, in the present circumstances of Allegheny Seminary, would be embraced mainly in these phrases: "redress grievances;" "superintend and endeavor to promote all its interests;" "incompetent to the discharge of his duties;" "if the longer continuance of a Professor be judged highly dangerous." If they find anything wrong, or dangerous, their duty is to report to the Assembly, or to suspend and report.—*Presbyterian Banner.*

IMPORTANT WAR PAPERS.

Correspondence between the Rebel Gen. Lee and Gen. Halleck.

LETTERS ON CIVILIZED WARFARE.

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INSULTING LETTER FROM GENERAL LEE.

Gen. Halleck Declines to Receive it.

GEN. LEE TO GEN. M'CLELLAN.

Headquarters Department of Northern Virginia, July 21.

To Major General Geo. B. McClellan, Commanding Army of the Potomac:

General: It has come to my knowledge that many of our citizens, engaged in peaceful avocations, have been arrested and imprisoned because they refused to take the oath of allegiance to the United States, while others, by hard and harsh treatment, have been compelled to take an oath not to bear arms against that government.

I have learned that about one hundred of the latter class have been released from Fortress Monroe. This government refuses to admit the right of the authorities of the United States to arrest our citizens and extort from them their parole not to render military service, to their country, under the penalty of incurring punishment in case they fall into the hands of your forces. I am directed by the Secretary of War to inform you that such oaths will not be regarded as obligatory, and that those who take them will be required to render military service.

Should your government treat the rendition of such service by those persons as a breach of parole and punish it accordingly, this government will resort to retaliatory measures as the only means of compelling the observance of the rules of civilized warfare.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully, your obedient servant,

R. E. Lee, General Commanding.

GEN. HALLECK TO GEN. M'CLELLAN.

Headquarters of the Army, Washington, Aug. 13, 1862.

Major General George B. McClellan, Commanding Army of the Potomac:

General: I have just received from the Adjutant General's office your letter of July 30th, enclosing a letter from Gen. R. E. Lee, of July 21st. The letters of Gen. Dix and Maj. Wood will furnish you with the proper information for a reply to Gen. Lee's complaints in regard to the treatment of prisoners at Fortress Monroe. The Government of the United States has never authorized any extortion of oaths of allegiance or military paroles, and has forbidden any measures to be resorted to tending to that end. Instead of extorting oaths of allegiance and paroles, it has refused the application of several thousand prisoners to be permitted to take them, and return to their homes in the rebel States. At the same time this Government claims, and will exercise the right to arrest, imprison, or place beyond its military lines, any person suspected of giving aid and information to its enemies, or of any other treasonable act. And if persons so arrested voluntarily take the oath of allegiance, or give their military parole, and afterwards violate their plighted faith, they will be punished according to the laws and usages war. You will assure Gen. Lee that no unseemly threats of retaliation on his part will deter this Government from exercising its lawful rights over both the persons and property of whatsoever name or character.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

H. W. Halleck, General-in-Chief U. S. Army.

GEN. LEE TO GEN. HALLECK.

Headquarters Army of the C. S., near Richmond, Aug. 2.

To the General Commanding the Army of the United States, Washington:

General: On the 29th of June last, I was instructed by the Secretary of War to inquire of Maj. Gen. McClellan as to the truth of alleged murders committed on our citizens by officers of the United States army. The cases of Wm. B. Mumford, reported to have been murdered at New Orleans by order of Maj. Gen. B. F. Butler, and Col. John Owen, reported to have been murdered in Missouri by order of Maj. Gen. Pope, were those referred to. I had the honor to be informed by Maj. Gen. McClellan that he had referred these inquiries to his government for a reply. No answer has as yet been received. The President of the Confederate States has since been credibly informed that numerous other officers of the army of the United States within the Confederacy have been guilty of felonies and capital offences which are punishable by all laws, human and divine.

I am directed by him to bring to your notice a few of those best authenticated. Newspapers received from the United States announce as a fact that Maj. Gen. Hunter has armed slaves for the murder of their masters, and has thus done all in his power to inaugurate a servile war, which is worse than that of the savage, inasmuch as it superadds other horrors to the indiscriminate slaughter of age, sexes and conditions. Brig. Gen. Phelps is reported to have instituted at New Orleans the example set by Maj. Gen. Hunter on the coast of South Carolina. Brig. Gen. G. W. Fitch is stated in the same journals to have murdered in cold blood two peaceful citizens, because one of his men, while invading our country, was killed by some unknown person while defending his home.

I am instructed by the President of the Confederate States to repeat the inquiry relative to the cases of Mumford and Owen, and to ask whether the statements in relation to the action of Generals Hunter, Phelps, and Fitch, are admitted to be true, and whether the conduct of these Generals is sanctioned by their government. I am further directed by his excellency the President to give notice that in the event of not receiving a reply to these inquiries within fifteen days from the delivery of this letter, that it will be assumed that the alleged facts are true, and are sanctioned by the government of the United States.

In such an event, on that government will rest the responsibility of the retributive or retaliative measures which shall be adopted to put an end to the merciless atrocities which now characterize the war against the Confederate States.

I am, most respectfully, your obedient servant,

R. E. Lee, Gen. Commanding.

GEN. HALLECK TO GEN. LEE.

Headquarters of the Army, Washington, August 7.

General Lee, Commanding, &c.:

General: Your letter of July 6 was received at the adjutant-general's office on the 14th, but supposing from its indorsement that it required no further reply, it was filed without being shown to the President or Secretary of War.

I learn to-day, for the first time, that such letter had been received, and hasten to reply.

No authentic information has been received in relation to the execution of John Owen or Mumford, but measures will be immediately taken to ascertain the facts of the alleged executions, of which you will be duly informed.

I need hardly assure you, General, that so far as the United States authorities are concerned this contest will be carried on in strict accordance with the laws and usages of modern warfare, and that all excesses will be duly punished. In regard to the burning of bridges, &c., within our lines, by persons in disguise as peaceful citizens, I refer you to my letter of the 22d of January last to General Price. I think you will find the views there expressed as not materially differing from those stated in your letter. In regard to retaliation by taking the lives of innocent persons, I know of no modern authority which justifies it, except in the extreme case of a war with any uncivilized foe which has himself first established such a barbarous rule. The United States will never countenance such a proceeding unless forced to do so by the barbarous conduct of an enemy who first applies such a rule to our own citizens.

Very respectfully, your obedient servant,

H. W. Halleck, General-in-Chief U. S. Army.

GEN. LEE TO GEN. HALLECK.

Headquarters Army of the C. S., near Richmond, Va., August 2, 1862.

To the General Commanding the U. S. Army, Washington:

General: In obedience to the order of his Excellency, the President of the Confederate States, I have the honor to make you the following communication:

On the 22d of July last a cartel for a general exchange of prisoners was signed by Major General John A. Dix on behalf of the United States, and by Major General D. H. Hill on the part of this Government. By the terms of that cartel it is stipulated that all prisoners of war hereafter taken shall be discharged on parole until exchanged. Scarcely had the cartel been signed when the military authorities of the United States commenced a practice changing the character of the war from such as becomes civilized nations into a campaign of indiscriminate robbery and murder.

A general order issued by the Secretary of War of the United States, in the city of Washington, on the very day that the cartel was signed in Virginia, directs the military commanders of the United States to take the property of our people for