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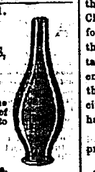
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The Washington *Star*, of last Friday evening, contained an article advising against any movement of the Potomac army for thirty days, and the *Intelligencer* of next morning followed up this initial stroke of the army managers, in an article deprecating any immediate battle between Generals McClellan and Lee as hazardous and of doubtful issue. The *Star* and the *Intelligencer* being the organs of the party of inaction, who have so long managed to control the army, this concerted attempt to prepare the public for further delay, was evidently inspired from that quarter, not the mere chance co-incidence of two editors writing on the same subject on the same day—and unintentionally directing their efforts towards the same object. We are not credulous enough to believe much in what Sir Samuel Romilly, in Queen Caroline's trial, was wont to describe as "remarkable instances of strange co-incidence."

The principle view of the *Intelligencer* is, that a battle between Generals Lee and McClellan, without further preparation and reinforcing by the latter, is dangerous. It cites the doubtful result of the struggle at Antietam, refers to the skill and desperation of the enemy, and concludes that, to put the fate of the war upon a great pitched battle in the vicinity of Winchester, is to put it upon the hazard of the die.

On this the Washington *Republican* very properly remarks:

If we are in such a condition upon the line of the Potomac, as the *Star* and *Intelligencer* represent us to be, unable to attack the enemy upon his extremest northern frontier without a fearful risk of rushing upon our own destruction, the time has come to assail him where he is vulnerable, in the cotton States, and by liberating the bondmen, by whose labors his armies are fed. If the representations of the *Star* and *Intelligencer* are correct, the time has come for a perfect union of loyal sentiment in favor of that other method of ending this war, which is laid down in the President's Proclamation of September 22d. If we cannot attack the enemy's armies in front, we must disperse them by inciting revolution in their rear. No other alternative remains, unless we are content to give up the Union altogether, and to retire, beaten and discomfited, from the conflict. To this complexion it must come at last.

If the President, who is undoubtedly himself impatient for decisive movements in this quarter, finds himself unable to overcome the resisting *inertia* of his generals, and if, as a consequence, the policy of a mere defensive line on the Potomac through the coming winter proves to be the one which will prevail, it only becomes the more imperatively necessary, that blows should be struck elsewhere, which will end the war. It is in this view that we turn with hope to the reports from the West, that General Grant, supported by Rear-Admiral Porter with his gunboats on the Mississippi, and by the co-operation of Gen. Curtis on the west side of that river, is meditating a movement southward, which will squelch the rebellion in the lower valley of the Mississippi, and open its navigation to the Gulf. If this movement is made upon the principles of the legislation of Congress and of the Proclamation of September 22d, the slaves of rebels are liberated as our armies advance, Gen. Lee will not remain long at Winchester. He is there to defend slavery, and when he finds that crumbling into ruin behind him, he will have nothing left to defend.

From the same number of the same *Republican*, however, as well as from many other sources, we learn some facts which dispose us to trust that the *vis inertiæ* of *strategic* and *timeid* generalship will be overcome, and that the great Potomac army will not be the tool of military jesuitry, or the victim of a fate dooming them to thirty days' delay, and then to winter quarters on the Potomac. In another column the *Republican* says:

A VIGOROUS PROSECUTION OF THE WAR.—If we can credit the indications around us, and the statements we hear in well informed circles, the winter will not set in before there are active naval and military operations, promising anything but gratification to the rebels in arms.

Plans are already fully matured which are comprehensive in their scope, and which cannot, it seems to us, fail of complete success, if carried out as they have been devised.

All indications are meaningless and all plans fail in execution, most thorough and complete victories over the rebels, may be looked for ere long.

It is certain now that a most vigorous prosecution of the war is fully determined upon, and all that human sagacity may be able to devise and human skill execute, will be seen in the further prosecution of this war for the restoration of the Union.

Interesting Incident of the Battle-Field.

During the week of battles in front of Washington, Gen. Bayard went forward, under a flag of truce, to meet and confer with his old comrade in arms, the now famous J. E. B. Stuart, of the rebel cavalry. Less than two years ago, Jeb. was first lieutenant, and Bayard second lieutenant in the same company; but Jeb. is now a Major General and Bayard a Brigadier. During the interview, a wounded Union soldier, lying near, was groaning and asked for water. "Here, Jeb.," said Bayard—old time recollections making him familiar, as he tossed his bridle to the rebel officer—"hold my horse a minute, will you; till I fetch that poor fellow a drink of water?" Jeb. held the bridle. Bayard went to a stream and brought the wounded man some water. As Bayard mounted his horse, Jeb. remarked that he had not for some time "played orderly to a Union General." The business upon which they met was soon arranged, and the old friends parted—a fight, which had ceased while they were engaged talking, recommencing with great fury on both sides the moment each got back to his own ranks.—*Correspondent New York Tribune.*

The Old School Presbyterian Synod of New Jersey, at their session last week, spoke out in this fashion of the rebellion: "That we regard the continuance, the enlargement and calamitous proportions of our civil war as a solemn token of God's righteous displeasure, with our whole nation, and a most impressive admonition that we are not sufficiently humbled for the manifold and heinous sins of corruption, pride, self-confidence, Sabbath desecration, forgetfulness of God and oppression, especially of the colored race."

REAR ADMIRAL D. D. PORTER, of the Mississippi squadron, has addressed a note to the Collector at St. Louis to the following effect: "I have instructed the vessels under my command to permit no vessels to land below Cairo at places uncentepted by Union forces. (Any vessels violating this rule will be detained by the police vessels of the squadron. The object of this order is to prevent articles of merchandise, provisions, clothing, arms, &c., from reaching rebel hands. Will you please have the masters of steamboats notified?"

Carl Schurz States the Case.

The Union Committee of New York having invited Carl Schurz to address the citizens of that State in support of the National Administration, he replied that his duties as an officer of the army prevented him; but he gave them the following forcible statement of the case now pending in the elections of New York and eight other States—which we trust will be widely laid before the electors before the approaching 4th of November:

There are only two parties which at the present time can logically exist: one faithfully following the lead of the National Administration, and giving an active support to all its measures against the rebellion, and the other going ahead of the Government, calling out and inspiring the native energy of the people, and preparing the way for the measure, which, in the future, the Government will be obliged to adopt. Every loyal man must belong to one of these two. They differ only by the degree of their patriotism, by the intensity of their zeal, by the sagacity and foresight with which they judge the necessities of our situation. There is no third programme possible, unless it rests upon open or secret sympathy with the rebellion.

What can the desire of a third party be? Peace? Ask the rebels, and they will tell you that they will listen to no proposal of peace, unless it be coupled with the recognition of the Southern Confederacy and permanent dissolution of the Union.

A compromise? No compromise with treason could be made that would not forever subvert the authority of the Government; and, besides, there is no rebel in the land but who would spurn the offer with derision and contempt.

The restoration of slavery where it has been abolished and its preservation where it still exists? There is no loyal man who will not understand that he who supports slavery, the source of rebellion, in the rebellious States, will thereby strengthen the rebellion.

A peace which means the dissolution of the Union; a compromise which we cannot offer and which the rebels will not accept; new guaranties for Slavery, which would be a premium for treason—such are some of the absurdities on which a third party claims a right to exist, and for which it demands the votes of the people. And this is called loyalty!

Am I not right in speaking of open or secret sympathy with rebellion? Let this kind of loyalty be known by its fruits. What effect will the victory of such a party have upon the rebels? The more the National Administration is embarrassed in its movements against the rebellion, the more hopeful the rebels will be; and the more hopeful, the more persistent in their enterprise.

And what effect will it have upon ourselves? Permit me to say a word as a soldier. Your State has sent nearly 200,000 of her sons into the war. Thousands of them have shed their blood upon the battle-fields of the Union, or succumbed to the numberless fatigues and privations of the war, or to the deadly exhalations of the Southern coast. Many tens of thousands are now facing the enemy. Have they fought, and are they fighting for nothing? What does it mean, this incessant cry, that the war was brought on by Northern fanaticism; that the South was grievously wronged, and might well be expected to defend her rights? Do those who say so, really mean that the sons of the North shall go into battle and spill their heart's blood, all the time most assiduously informing them that the cause for which they are fighting is unjust? Is that the encouragement, the enthusiasm, they mean to give to our soldiers? Will they deprive them of the inspiring consciousness of fighting and giving up their lives for a great moral principle?

Define disloyalty as you will; I do not hesitate to rank those who strip the army of its moral inspirations next to those who stand in arms against it.

An Anti-Slavery Paper in New Orleans.

The Emancipation Proclamation, says the New York *Tribune*, of Monday, is already beginning to take effect in the rebellious States, and to prove itself as something more than waste paper or a Pope's Bull against the comet. We can announce this morning the important fact, that a thoroughly Anti-Slavery paper, in the French language, called *L' Union*, has been established in New Orleans, which addressed itself in particular to the French people of color, and calls on them to organize, to strike for the cause of Freedom, and to aid the Federal Government in the restoration of the Union.

You all, says an address to the public in the first number—you all, who aspire to the universal establishment of a republican system without spot, of a democracy without fetters, come and contribute your mite to the construction of the Temple of Liberty. Come, all of you, friends of Progress. The hour has sounded for the war of the great humanitarian principles of progress against a vile and sordid interest which engenders pride, ambition, hypocrisy, falsehood, and silences the voice of conscience, this heavenly voice, which cries incessantly to man: "Thou art the child of liberty and happiness! Do not deceive thyself in this, and do not deceive thy brother."

Of course, it lays before its readers the Proclamation of the President, with the comments of the Republican and other Unionloving papers of the loyal States. It publishes, also, articles specially directed against Slavery, and stirring appeals to the colored race to rise and join the legions of the Union Army.

The first number contains, also, the letter which Victor Hugo addressed two years ago to a Haytian poet. As since the time when this letter was written Victor Hugo has issued the great work which has made him, next to Garibaldi, the most famous leader of European democracy, and perhaps the most widely read author of the age, his fiery denunciation of Slavery, which now for the first time will reach the masses of the colored people of the South, deserves another perusal. It is certainly a significant sign of the times that such words can be freely printed and circulated in New Orleans. The letter is as follows:

TUILERIES HOUSE, March 20, 1860.

Your letter touches me. You are, Sir, a noble scion of that black race which has been so long oppressed and slighted.

From one end of the earth to the other the same flame is in all men; in the blacks, as you prove it. Are there several Adams? The naturalists may discuss that question; certainly, there is but one God.

Because there is only one Father, we are brothers.

For this truth, John Brown has died. For this truth I struggle. Yet thank me for it, and I cannot tell you how deeply your beautiful words touch me.

There are upon earth neither whites nor blacks; there are spirits. You are of these. Behave, God, all souls are white.

I love your country, your race, your liberty, your Revolution, your Republic. Your magnificent island delights at this moment all freemen; it has given a great example; it has broken despotism. It will aid us in breaking Slavery.

For servitude, in all its forms, must disappear. The Southern States killed not John Brown, but Slavery.

Henceforth, whatever the disgraceful message of Buchanan may say, the American Union may be considered as broken. I profoundly regret it; but between the North and the South stands the gallows of Brown.