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Indications.

That the failure on the part of Gen. Meigs to furnish necessary supplies had the effect to retard the movement of Gen. Burnside across the Rappahannock is very probable; but there is reason to believe that the delay has been more advantageous to us than to the rebels. The Philadelphia *Press* remarks:

"We have an intimation that Lee's army is falling back, having thrown no works about Fredericksburg for temporary defense, to gain time, by holding our army in check in its movements toward Richmond."

There is a positive panic at Richmond; for if Lee's army remains at Fredericksburg, and is even able to keep Burnside on the north side of the river, he leaves Richmond unprotected against assault from other quarters.

There are intimations that Banks will go in somewhere, either by the way of James or York rivers, or perhaps by some route not hitherto contemplated. The *Press* again remarks that while the main army lay menacing Fredericksburg, time was gained "to prepare for an important movement against the rebel rear by a different route from any hitherto selected." This apprehension of some such movement causes Gen. Lee to feel very insecure in his present position, if, indeed, he is yet at Fredericksburg, which we think doubtful. At no time have the fortunes of the rebels been so desperate as now. Lee cannot protect Richmond at Fredericksburg, and to fall back to that city without a battle will but concentrate upon him the whole power of the Union forces, and hang upon a single struggle the fate of the Confederacy. We are full of hope that in a few weeks, probably a few days, we shall rejoice over the fall of the rebel capital, and see "the beginning of the end."

A Mischievous Rumor.

A rumor gained some currency within the past two or three days, that Gen. Burnside had been relieved of his command. The following, from the New York *World* of Tuesday, was the first and only source of the rumor;

We are informed, for a source not likely to be deceived, that Gen. Burnside has been relieved of the command of the army of the Potomac, and that Gen. Hooker has been put in his place.

We can hardly give full credence to this statement, although such a result has never been unlikely, and although we believe it to be true that the fortifications begun on Saturday night were erected under Gen. Hooker's instructions. So far as we know, it is not, there is every reason to believe that President Lincoln is confirmed that Gen. Burnside was right and wisdom in his repeated endorsements of Gen. McClellan's skill and military ability, and has not yet found the man who can improve upon his conduct of the campaign.

The Washington correspondent of the New York *Times* settles it as follows:

Great surprise is expressed that any New York journal should amuse its readers with such baseless rumors as one of your correspondents sets afloat in a paragraph announcing the supersedure of Gen. Burnside in the command of the army of the Potomac. We have official authority for contradicting the statement.

Mobile.

The people of Mobile are in almost daily expectation of an attack. The Mayor of that city, in a letter to the Governor of Alabama, speaks as follows of the desperate extremity to which it will be defended:

Though they should succeed in driving our entire population from their homes, while there remained a man capable of handling a gun the invading foe would be subjected to the most determined attacks.

While prepared for the worst, your Excellency must not regard our people as without hopes of a successful resistance against any force the enemy may bring against us. Our people are ready for the contest, and will go into the fight determined to save the city of Mobile if it is to be saved by any exertion or sacrifices in their power; but if it prove otherwise, then let ashes mark the site whereon stood our cherished homes and the ruthless invader, standing amid the ruins that he has made, shall find that even the naked soil cannot be held by him with impunity.

GEN. BANKS' EXPEDITION.—Of this expedition, which our dispatches to-day inform us has just sailed from New York, the Boston *Traveller* learns upon good authority that the vessels will touch at Fortress Monroe, where a large addition to the force will immediately join it, the whole making one of the most powerful armadas which has left for the South since the war commenced. The total number of troops with BANKS is estimated at over 40,000, while neither at Port Royal or in North Carolina did the military force exceed 28,000 men.

A CONVENTION OF EDITORS meets to-day at Trenton, New Jersey, to take steps to protect the journals of that State from the destructive effects of the recent advance in the price of paper, an advance which will be maintained so long as the price of cotton shall keep up to anything like the present enormous figures.

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THE house of Rev. H. W. Beecher, on Columbia street, Brooklyn, was besmeared with coal tar on Thanksgiving night. The perpetrators of the outrage, in their hurry, also spattered considerably the residence of his next-door neighbor, a merchant of special proclivities.

SALE OF OLD NEWSPAPERS.—The Boston *Journal* is selling all its old newspapers, slippings, scraps, &c., for six and a half cents a pound. There is the greatest competition among dealers in newspaper stock, and waste paper cotton waste, rags, &c., bring very high price.

NEWSPAPERS.—In addition to certain papers mentioned, the Boston *Courier*, Albany *Argus*, and Albany *Evening Journal* have reduced the size of their sheets on account of the high price of paper.

What is the Army Waiting For?

The able army correspondent of the N. Y. *Tribune*, who wrote the brilliant description of the battle of Antietam, has, in a letter from Falmouth, written on the 1st inst., given the following answer to this question which so many are now asking—and some no doubt attempting to answer, without having such available sources of information as this correspondent. What he says about waiting for reinforcements may derive new significance by the recently developed facts which have surprised the President and doubtless all others who have learned them—we mean the vast, the incredible number of leaves of absence, or irregular absences, from the army, which reduce the actual force under Burnside to something very different indeed from what the mere enumeration by regiments, brigades and divisions might lead us to suppose. We trust Congress will enquire as to the laxity of discipline, and have the responsibility fixed where it belongs. Our dispatches and other information give us assurance that the proper steps are being taken to fill up the depleted ranks, so that we trust this cause of delay will soon be among the things that were. But let us hear A. D. B.:

"What is the army waiting for?" asks the country which has sacrificed so much, and felt so long the hope deferred which maketh the heart sick.

Attempting to answer, I violate no official confidences, for I am the depository of none. I give no information to the rebels, for I only cite facts which they know as well as we.

To capture Richmond, to possess East Tennessee and cut in their great railroad artery, to open the Mississippi and clear its valley, are obviously the keys to success, the immediate aim of the Government.

Preparations for the two latter movements are nearly complete, under Rosecrans, Grant, McClernand, and Porter—men in the habit of accomplishing what they undertake.

Richmond, however, trifling in mere military value, has been, for long, the objective point that it is an absolute political necessity. And its attainment is morally certain to accomplish our prime military object, the defeat and destruction of the rebel army.

It is vitally important that when the columns move they all move in concert. Press the enemy simultaneously at every point. Strike all the blows at once. Give Pemberton no leisure to strengthen Bragg—Bragg no time to reinforce Lee.

Our Western columns are not quite ready; neither is the Army of the Potomac.

Had it been possible Burnside would have pushed forward instantly when we arrived here. The rebel army was divided and scattered. We had the interior line, and would have fought it in detail, or reached Richmond before it.

Now it is concentrated on our front, all save the ubiquitous Stonewall Jackson. The main force of the enemy, his veteran troops, his largest, most reliable army, is within a few hours' distance of the Rappahannock, on our road to Richmond.

That road will be difficult at best. We shall have hard to contend with, lines to keep open, and stream to cross; in the face of an enemy the most formidable undertaking of the war. Every mile will take us further from our base and carry the rebels nearer theirs.

Sigel with the Grand Reserve is left behind, out of striking distance. Without him this army is much smaller than the popular estimate of it, much smaller than that with McClellan when on the Peninsula. The country says with Napoleon, "Ask me for nothing but time." We delay here that we may not lose time hereafter. A great disaster to the Army of the Potomac would cost months to repair it.

We wait, then, for re-enforcements. Without them we cannot have war (a truth which the late commander with all his military knowledge, never learned,) but we cannot afford any unnecessary hazard. When we do advance we must be able to move "in the order of an army, and with the weight of a nation," like the old Roman legion, if our first line is shattered and our second driven back, we must have a third line that is invincible, to turn the tide.

Our force, must be large enough to carry fortifications, not by siege but by storm; not to obliterate the enemy, to crush him in detail, or to fight a drawn battle—but to crush him, to defeat and annihilate him, to roll through and over him, into Richmond by its mere momentum.

The army cannot believe that we are to repeat the old, disastrous folly of dividing our forces instead of concentrating them, of sending off detached expeditions to unimportant points before the immediate, vital object of their army is accomplished, of making arrangements for the enemy to beat us again in detail, through celerity of movement upon inferior lines.

It is doubtless settled that we are to receive reinforcements. In God's name give us men enough! The volunteers and their officers are sick and weary of strategy and profound military combinations. In view of the Peninsular campaign, the siege of Corinth, and the general experience of the war, they believe with Macaulay "that the military art is no very profound mystery; that its principles are the principles of plain good sense; that a quick eye, a cool head, and a stout heart will do more to make a General than all the diagrams of Jomini."

They have a commander who, like Grant, has been successful, perhaps because, like Grant, his only policy has been to move on the enemy's works, to win by prompt, hard decisive fighting. In spite of a handful of disloyalists, who praised McClellan's "energy" for eighteen months, and began to talk about Burnside's "slowness," before he had been in command eighteen hours, they have full confidence in him.

Give them numbers enough to inspire confidence in themselves, and you shall see a march to Richmond which will epitomize in a single month all the prodigies of fighting, the patient endurance, the hardy labor they have displayed in the past. Instead of barren victories and fruitless bloodshed, you shall see compensating, crowning triumph, with the first flag planted in the rebel capital.

GOV. SOLOMON, of Wisconsin, has lit upon a very happy expedient for relieving many—perhaps all—of those cases where the draft has fallen with especial hardship. In almost every county there are instances where families have furnished one or more volunteers for the war, and where the only remaining member capable of bearing arms has been drafted. There are other cases of poor men with large families, who are unable to procure a substitute, and who cannot go without leaving their wives and children dependent, in a measure, upon public charity. The Governor proposes to remedy this by appointing the regimental and company officers of the drafted regiments from men who will volunteer as substitutes for those men upon whom the draft fall with peculiar hardship.

THE HERO OF THE MONITOR AGAIN AFLOAT.—Commander Worden, whose services on the Monitor have been so highly appreciated by his country, will sail from this city next week in a better ship than even the Merrimac's antagonist. His eyes are well enough for duty, and his spirits excellent. By the laws of rank alone he is a Commander, no special promotion having been conferred on him. His new craft—the Ericsson battery Montauk—now at the Delamater iron works, is nearly finished, and will be ready to fight in a few days. Her new gun and turret apparatus is receiving the final touches, the officers appointed by the Navy Department have nearly all reported to Admiral Paulding, and the guns are already on board. She is even more carefully completed than the Passaic.—*N. Y. Tribune.*

THE COMPLAINT AGAINST GENERAL MEIGS.—A Washington correspondent of the New York *Times* telegraphs that the Committee on the Conduct of the War intend at once to proceed to an investigation of the complaints against Gen. Meigs, made by Gens. Burnside and Banks, in regard to failure in furnishing the necessary means of transportation for their respective forces. This may include an examination into the causes which have led Meigs to discourage investigation of the frauds committed in his Department.

The Largest Hotel in the World.

The Lindell Hotel, at St. Louis, which has been four years in process of building, is now completed, and ready for the furniture. The edifice was originally called the Lucas Hotel, in honor of the founder of St. Louis; but the name was afterwards changed for that of Lindell Hotel, in honor of the late Peter Lindell, who owned the largest amount of stock in the original company. Peter Lindell is now dead, but he lived to see the assured promise of completion of the great enterprise of his life.

The main body of the edifice, 272 feet in length, by 155 in depth, fronts on Washington avenue, looking to the South, and stretches from Sixth to Seventh street. To the rear it extends two-thirds of the distance to Green street. In the rear is the T addition, two stories in height, being connected with the main building, and extending to the sidewalk on Green street.

Thus the hotel occupies the entire square, with the exception of two small vacant portions in the northeast and northwest corners, one of which is embraced in the Hotel grounds, and the other is held by the heirs of the old free negro woman who refused to sell it to the Hotel Company, though offered twice its value.

The Hotel is six stories, with attic and basement. It contains 515 rooms; twenty-one parlors; 27 acres of plastering; 7 acres of flooring; 32 miles of bell wire; 6½ miles of base-board; 12 miles of gas, steam and water pipe; 1½ miles, or 1,980 yards, of hall; 810 windows; and 14,000 feet of painted imitation of cornice. The quantity of bricks used in building it is eight million.

In the basement, there is a railroad, running the entire length, for the easy transportation of heavy articles, and also are two steam elevators for lifting fuel, baggage, &c., from the ground to the floors above. On the ground floor there are seventeen stores, and under them, in the basement, as many more, which are to be rented to merchants and tradesmen. The Hotel is yet unfurnished, and without an occupant. It was, at one time, leased to the Lelands, of the Metropolitan Hotel, New York, but as the building was not completed at the appointed time, they waived the right of possession. It is supposed that it will be leased, furnished, completed and thrown open to the public by next spring.

From Washington.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—There is unusual liveliness in military affairs in this vicinity. It is announced that new plans are to be tried—that old plans were conceived merely to hoodwink the enemy, and that the real plan will soon appear—or rather will be worked out on the field of battle. Some of the movements of our army may provoke a battle within three days.

Gen. Meigs is not yet removed, and the public here about is setting down into the belief that there is no intention of removing him.—*Cor. N. Y. Post.*

An intelligent "trapper," from one of the western counties of Minnesota, states that a "secret society has been organized, having its ramifications all through the western half of the State, whose avowed