

Brownson on the War

We copy the following from a late number of the Chicago Post: In the October number of Brownson's Review is an elaborate article upon slavery and the war. Like all the writings of Dr. Brownson it is profound, able and comprehensive. It is logical in the extreme, and yet it lacks that convincing force that can be found in arguments more serious, and presented in a more popular form. A very large class of the American people, including perhaps a majority of the regular readers of his Review, receive all that comes from Mr. Brownson with an unwillingness to adopt it. This arises to some extent from his uncertainty as to his sincerity, and to a doubt whether he really believes and thinks what he says.

We have read the article upon the war and slavery, and our opinion of his great ability, and of his capacity as a writer has been greatly strengthened and confirmed. As a whole it is a thorough exposition of the true intent and purposes of the rebellion, and as thorough and complete an exposition of the duty of all Americans to sustain the government. But Mr. Brownson discusses the question from a peculiar standpoint. In his statement of the design of the rebels, he alleges that the first object is to effect a separation between the slaveholding and non-slaveholding states; that the second, by opening the ports to the manufactures of Europe, the south will build up immediately with all the western states a commercial interest that in the end will compel all the states of the north-west to join the Southern Confederacy; and the accession of these, will necessarily compel New York, New Jersey, and Pennsylvania, and the other states of the same tenet, to do the same thing. This would reduce the Northern Confederacy to the New England states, and of these Connecticut and Rhode Island would naturally follow New York. The northern confederacy would then consist simply of Massachusetts, Vermont, New Hampshire and Maine. To an anti-slavery man, as that Mr. Brownson is utterly opposed. He has no fancy to a Union that will leave Massachusetts and the New England states out in the cold. He has no patience with a plan of disunion, or separation, that will deprive New England of its markets, and of the protection of a high tariff. As in reading Mr. Brownson one cannot fail to be impressed with the importance with which he invests the prostration of New England manufactures, in the list of evils resulting from the success of the rebels. In our estimation, one of the evils under which the country is laboring in the prosecution of the war, is the present tariff, an unjust and iniquitous measure hurried through congress on the eve of the war, for the special benefit of New England manufacturers. And if Mr. Brownson believes that such a tariff as that can survive a suppression of the rebellion, he is much mistaken. Though there may not be free trade, the moment the war is over, there will be such a reduction of the tariff as will forever destroy the short-sighted policy of protecting any particular class of people by oppressive taxation of all the rest.

Looking at the rebellion as intended in its success to destroy the manufacturing interests of New England, and eventually leave Massachusetts and the three other states outside of all political association on this continent, it is not surprising that Mr. Brownson, in the very agony of fear, should propose as a means of averting that danger, the most extreme measures. He thinks the battle cry of "law and order" wholly inefficient to protect the nation. The watchword "the constitution and the Union" is not, he thinks, sufficient force to induce the people to save the tariff and Massachusetts. There must be another— a fiercer battle cry, and that is "slaves must not breathe our atmosphere." He declares "traitors and friends of traitors have no constitutional rights." "The constitution and the laws are for loyal citizens—not for rebels and traitors." Therein lies the whole difficulty. The government represents the loyal people of the Union, and the government must be bound by and obey the constitution and the laws. The rebels repudiate the constitution and the laws, and therefore do not regulate their conduct by those rules, but the loyal people and the government are bound by the constitution and laws, and can do no act not warranted by the constitution and the laws. The constitution is in its full force to-day in Virginia as in New England. It is because the constitution authorizes him to do so that Mr. Lincoln is at the head of a federal army in Virginia suppressing the rebellion. But Mr. Lincoln has no more authority to violate the constitution of Virginia than he has in Massachusetts. Blot out the constitution, and the government might emancipate the slaves to the full extent of its physical power to do so, but while the constitution remains in force, it binds and ties the hands of government, and does not permit the uncontrolled exercise of executive or popular will, no matter how desirable such a proceeding may become.

The American Wheat Crop. The New York World, basing its statements on data drawn from various sources, and carefully, as it states, fearing to yield to the cry of "short crops," so frequently and designedly made, says that the wheat crop, in a large portion of our western States this year, presents a strong contrast to the abundance of the last, and that the

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ADVERTISEMENTS. A candidate for the office of Sheriff of Allegheny County, Pa. was born in said county and is a resident thereof. He is a native-born American citizen, and is a member of the Grand Jury of said county. He is a man of high moral character, and is well qualified to discharge the duties of the office of Sheriff of said county. He is a man of high moral character, and is well qualified to discharge the duties of the office of Sheriff of said county.

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INTERESTING FROM DARNESTOWN

DARNESTOWN, Md., Oct. 5.—The gentleman who came from near Folesville last evening, states that he heard firing at noon in the direction of Edwards' Ferry. He saw a great smoke arising from the same, and that it was caused by the burning of a warehouse on this side of the river. Rumors are current here that Gen. Stone will shortly lead an advance over the Potomac. The force under his command has strengthened largely of late. Private W. L. Myers, of the New York 19th was recently tried and sentenced to be shot for desertion, by the General Court martial, but from the evidence it appeared that he was on his return to his regiment when arrested and that he was overtaken by liquor causing him to be absent longer than his permit allowed. The members of the Court therefore unanimously recommended him to mercy upon his solemn promise, need to drink any intoxicating liquors. General Banks commuted the sentence into a forfeiture of \$50 per month of his pay for one year, and the great culprit was yesterday returned to his regiment. An unconfirmed rumor was circulated that the rebels had fired into and sunk a canal boat, carrying heavy baggage for a brigade stationed on the upper Potomac. The Potomac is now fordable at several of the fords between the Great Falls and Point of Rocks. The enemy are known to have largely augmented their force in the vicinity of Leesburg, but the military authorities are of the opinion that it is only a feint, and that the first demonstration by our lines, they will fall back upon the Manassas Gap Railroad, thence down to the Junction. No apprehension was felt of any attempt on their part to cross the river or make any serious attack upon us at Leesburg.

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AMUSEMENTS

PITTSBURGH THEATRE. LACES AND MANAGER—W. M. HENDERSON. PRIZES OF AMUSEMENT—Private Boxes, 50c; Single Seats, 25c; Family Circle, 10c; Gallery, 5c. MONDAY EVENING, October 7, 1861. RE-ENGAGEMENT OF MR. C. W. COULDOCK. MERCHANT OF VENICE! To conclude with the new drama in three acts. "THE UNION MEN OF OLD VIRGINIA" THE UNION MEN OF OLD VIRGINIA. Battle of Cheat Mountain, Beautiful Tableau, Terrible Fighting, &c.

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REPORTED DEATH OF McCULLOUGH

ROLLA, Mo., Oct. 6.—From information received from scouts, there are about 100 armed rebels scattered over the Southwestern part of this State, including 6000 to 7000 Camp Walker, Arkansas, eight miles below the Missouri line, under command of Young Ben McCullough. Major Wright of the Home Guards furnishes the following statement: A physician well known to the Major, whose name I am not permitted to disclose, arrived from the Southwestern on Tuesday evening. This physician was formerly partner of Dr. Suel, McCullough's Army Surgeon. The former, who is a native of Missouri, had an interview with the Major, and was told by him that in the battle of Springfield, McCullough was shot through the hip and glenoid ball, and struck him in the forehead. Soon after making his report of the battle, McCullough with the Texas forces, was ordered back to Texas, but after reaching Camp Claiborne, near Mount Vernon, he died from his wounds. Before he expired he spoke freely of the manner of his treatment by the Missourians, and declared if he had known the true position of affairs he never would have returned to the State. He was placed in a metallic coffin and conveyed to Texas. His death was concealed even from his own son for a time, it being the policy of the surviving leaders to operate in the prestige of his name. His son, Ben McCullough, Jr., was therefore placed in nominal command in order to keep up the deception. Major Wright, who is an old acquaintance of McCullough, having as late as water before last ranged with him several miles on the Colorado river, is convinced that the latter is dead. Letters have been received by Mrs. Crawford from her husband, Colonel Crawford, of Price's army, stating that the latter had been killed and occupying a critical position and urging the immediate removal of his property to the South.

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