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PITTSBURGH:

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OFFICIAL VOTE OF ALLEGHENY COUNTY.

Elsewhere we publish the official returns of the county by districts. Below we give the totals, as summed up by the Secretaries of the board of return judges:

JUDGE DIST. COURT.		
H. W. Williams R. and U	12,685	
JUDGE COMMON PLEAS.		
W. B. McClure, R, and U	12,823	
ASS JUDGE COM. PLEAS.		
John Brown, R	7,116	2,240 maj.
Laurence Mitchell, U	4,870	
STATE SENATE.		
John P. Penney, R. and U	12,875	
ASSEMBLY.		
Thos. Williams, R. and U	12,773	
Thos. J. Bigham, R. and U	12,270	
P. C. Shannon, R	7,960	
Wm. Hutchman, R	7,599	
Sigismond Leow, R	6,371	
L. H. Carlisle, U	5,756	
A. H. Gross, U	6,505	
T. B. Hamilton, U	6,239	
SHERIFF.		
Henry Woods, R	6,863	812 maj.
Joshua Rhodes, U	6,051	
S. M. Brinton, I	774	
J. L. Cook	75	
PROTHONOTARY.		
Henry Eaton, R	6,815	2,257 maj.
Robert Finney, U	5,548	
COMMISSIONERS.		
David Collins, R	7,634	2,585 maj.
John A. Parkinson, U	5,096	
TREASURER.		
Aaron Floyd, R	6,827	268 maj.
James Blackmore, U	6,559	
CORONER.		
John McClung, R	6,827	613 maj.
Wm. Alexander, U	6,214	
R. M. Wesserwelt	148	
DIRECTOR OF POOR.		
Robert H. Davis, R. and U	7,242	

Blackmore's majority so far in the army leaves Floyd only 76 ahead. Dr. Gross leads Loew 134, and the army vote increases his majority to 258. Including the army vote Hamilton leads Loew 31.

GARIBALDI AND THE UNITED STATES.

Every few days we have a new wrinkle about Garibaldi taking command in our army. The very latest is the announcement that the Italian brigand is to be commander-in-chief of the American forces. This would be the signal for the disruption of the finest body of soldiers on earth, and eternally disgrace us in the eyes of the world. We have been less indebted to foreign nations for brains or merchandise, since we have been able to stand alone, than any civilized nation of which we have any record, and it would be rather humiliating now to be dependent upon a man who cannot speak the language and whose reputation is that of a successful guerilla chief, rather than a great general, to stride over our McClellan's and other master spirits. We have good enough men to fight, with intelligence enough to command, of our own. If not, let the government make the degrading confession of poverty in this particular, and get on its knees to the kings and queens of Europe for assistance. The thing is preposterous, and we only wonder how President Lincoln could for one moment entertain the proposition.

RUSSELL ON CHANGE.

This estimable Irish John Bull now admits that the President is fully up to the exigency of the occasion, and that the rebellion will be crushed. The New York *World*, in some editorial comments, says:—"Yet it is undeniable that Russell's letters—superficial as they are—carry a very considerable influence in Europe, and his change of sentiment will doubtless have some effect in hastening a corresponding change in the European mind, which was sure to come sooner or later under any circumstances. The general impression across the water has been that the American Union was destroyed beyond reparation. The southern rebellion has loomed up in the distance in immense proportions. Nothing like it was ever seen in Europe which did not succeed. A case cannot be recalled, within the memory of man, where a European throne kept its standing before a rebellion which had once acquired such a compass. Even the largest standing armies have been unavailing to stay the revolutionary torrent when it had once fairly set in. Nothing was more natural than for the European mind, judging from its own precedents, to take the fact that the federal government had in so short a time practically lost jurisdiction over half of its territory and was itself besieged in its very seat of administration, as a sure proof that the government was fated. As applied to European movements, it would have been an infallible token. The mistake is in not knowing how much stronger a republican government really fixed in the affections of an intelligent people, is than any throne or dynasty. It has been almost impossible for Europeans to realize the real meaning of the great uprising last spring in defence of the government, and of the great popular marshaling to arms which has been going on since, because nothing at all to be compared with it can be found in the annals of monarchy. The popular power to subvert they had known something of, but nothing of the popular power to uphold, and when they undertook to speculate at a distance about our affairs, they rushed to the most erroneous conclusions. Without stopping at all to settle the merits of the movement against the government, they generally assumed that its success was certain, and were even impatient at the measures taken by our government to resist and overthrow it as being futile so far as their object was concerned, and involving great inconvenience to the rest of the world. Whatever we may think of Mr. Russell, Europeans are very welcome to his present conclusions, and we trust they will make the most of them. As soon as they can understand that the success of the federal government is but a question of time, their interests will at once dictate that they shall help to make this war as short as possible by a faithful observance of our blockade, by a more decided discouragement of privateering, and by summarily dispelling the hopes which the Confederate commissioners have clung to from the day when they first undertook to influence cabinets and capitalists. Let the truth, as it is, once be known abroad, and the conviction that the rebellion is doomed to fail, become fixed throughout Europe, and it will have a great effect in paralyzing this southern madness."

DIRECT TAXATION.

The New York *World* says:—"It is now authoritatively announced that the receipts of the customs for the present year will not amount to more than twenty million dollars, ten millions less than even Secretary Chase's estimate. When the Morrill tariff was first enacted it was claimed that the receipts under it would reach sixty millions, but the circumstances of the country have so changed since then that the estimates of that period are valueless now.

"It is evident from this state of things that we are about entering upon a new era in the financial history of the country. Hereafter direct taxation is inevitable, as customs duties will be entirely inadequate to the support of the government and the payment of the enormous debts we are contracting. The foreign trade of the country will, in any event, be much less for several years to come than it has been in the past, and the deficit in our revenues in consequence must be provided for in some other way. This matter will assume great importance before the sitting of Congress, and upon that body will be thrown the delicate and responsible duty of originating a new system of ways and means to furnish the government with money to meet its current expenses and pay its debts."

All About Postage Stamps.

Two men were recently arrested at Carlisle Station, charged with the larceny of a lot of old postage stamps.

Now, were these men guilty of any criminal offence?

The old stamps have no pecuniary or postal value. The Government repudiates them, refuses to redeem them and collects three cents upon every letter prepaid with them.

If the stamps are worthless, the prisoners are no more guilty of a larceny than though they had appropriated as many bits of refuse paper. If they have a commercial and legal value, the agents of the Government who collect the extra three cents upon letters prepaid with them are guilty of extortion, and should be held responsible.

A necessity existed for a change in the design of stamps. Banks frequently find it necessary to change their plates, but does that necessity invest them with any right to refuse to redeem their old issue? And what right, in this matter, has the Postal Department beyond a corporation? Or was it a sharp dodge on the part of the Postmaster-General to make up the deficit in his Department, on the presumption, possibly, that, in so small a matter, nobody would care to investigate the rights involved? But if this can be legally done once, it can be done a dozen times a year, and by shrewd management the people could be fleeced out of an agregate of millions in the matter of postal shinplasters alone. It is time the people knew upon what authority of law the Postmaster refuse to redeem the old postage stamps, or exchange them for their equivalent in the new.

Infatuation at Washington.

The Cincinnati *Commercial*, a strong Republican journal, thus lectures the authorities at Washington:

The Washington correspondent of the New York *Commercial* telegraphs the following remarkable statement: "The recent battles in Western Virginia are supposed to render that entire section secure to the Union cause."

Now, if there is one thing more disheartening than another in the conduct of this war, it is the seeming ignorance or indifference at Washington to the perils and difficulties that beset the armies operating in distant fields. They are keenly alive to the importance of self preservation. If Gen. Beauregard so much as makes a demonstration indicating an attack upon the gigantic force that invests and protects the sacred city, the country is electrified with alarms for its safety. The official dry bones quake with trepidation, and horse, foot and dragoons are hurried forward on the wings of steam to keep the Capitol from falling into the hands of Jefferson Davis. It is very doubtful if an army as multitudinous as Xerxes led into Greece, and fortifications as impregnable as Gibralter, would save the country from periodic sensations for the safety of Washington, which have become chronic by their very frequency.

It happens now that a blissful feeling of security prevades the West End. An army of contractors swarm from Willard's to the War Office, breathing a rosy atmosphere of satisfaction that they are in no danger of being hanged—by the rebels—as they ought to be. Munson's Hill has been taken, as a beggar may be supposed to appropriate a pair of cast-off shoes, and at no expense beyond a few lives which a blunder of Brigadiers saved the enemy the trouble of taking; and it is satisfactorily ascertained—Heaven be praised!—that oyster sloops can still navigate the Potomac with no mortal risk of the bursting of the shells.

We wish with all our heart that General Rosecrans and his ragged and ill-supplied army, shivering in the keen air and drenched with wintry rains among the inhospitable mountains of Western Virginia, could share the sweet assurance that makes glad the hearts of the perfunctory agents and executors of the Union at Washington. Safe, indeed! And Lee and Floyd, reinforced by six regiments from Richmond, moving down upon the little army that holds our outposts in South-western Virginia, with a force of not less than thirty thousand men. Secure to the Union, forsooth! With not more than twenty-five thousand men to guard a line of at least a hundred and fifty miles, surrounded by spies, marauders, bush-fighters; having to protect extended lines of communication and laboring under obstacles in procuring supplies, such as it never entered the heart of an office holder to conceive.

The Administration should once for all understand that so long as the enemy is permitted to extend its lines from Martinsburg to Manassas, and westward to Lewisburg, with nothing to do but eat their rations and reinforce Lee and Floyd at pleasure, Western Virginia is not and can not be safe; and the war will be procrastinated there till doomsday, or till the gallant men under Rosecrans and Reynolds are exhausted and overpowered.

Even now, while we get this cool assurance from Washington, comes intelligence which we are inclined to credit, that Rosecrans and Cox have been compelled to fall back more than thirty miles, before an overwhelming force, to save themselves from destruction. While the patricians and plebs of the Capitol are being treated to grand reviews of infantry and artillery, that "for splendor and magnitude were never equalled on the Continent," and the Jenkins of this military pomp is fairly bursting with fat adjectives that shall be adequate to its description, the battle fields of Rich Mountain, and Cross Lanes and Carnifax Ferry remain disputed ground and are held by earnest, brave and suffering men, in the face of desperate chances.

The Liquor Law in Washington.

Gen. McClellan is endeavoring to put a stop to drunkenness in the army, although he does not appear to be entirely sustained by Justice Johnson, who on Tuesday discharged a man brought before him for giving liquor to soldiers.

Johnson is clearly in the wrong, as the law, passed at the late extra session of Congress, reads as follows:

"*Be it enacted, &c*, That it shall not be lawful for any person in the District of Columbia to sell, *give*, or *administer* to any soldier or volunteer in the service of the United States, or any person wearing the uniform of such soldier or volunteer, any spirituous liquor or intoxicating drink; and every person offending against the provisions of this act shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof, before a magistrate or court having criminal jurisdiction, shall be punished by a fine of twenty-five dollars, or imprisonment for thirty days."

The following is an explantory amendment, subsequently passed:

"An act to amend an act to prohibit the sale of spirituous liquors and intoxicating drinks in the District of Columbia, in certain cases.

"*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled*, That whenever any person shall be convicted of the offense described in the act entitled 'An act to prohibit the sale of spirituous liquors and intoxicating drinks in the District of Columbia, in certain cases,' he shall be punished by a fine of twenty dollars or imprisonment in the jail of Washington county, in the District of Columbia, for the period of thirty days.

"Approved, August 7, 1861."

General McClellan is determined at all events to have no drunken soldiers, and will not be foiled by any such double-twisted misunderstanding of the law as the decision of Justice Johnson exhibits.

ALLEGHENY COUNTY OFFICIAL.

DISTRICTS.	Sheriff Henry Woods, R.	Sheriff Joshua Rhodes, U.	Prothon'y Henry Eaton, R.	Prothon'y Robert Finney, U.	Commiss. David Collins, R.	Commiss. John A. Parkinson, R.
PITTSBURGH.						
First Ward	149	164	217	93	196	78
Second Ward	227	120	226	119	227	89
Third ward, 1st p	139	188	185	141	184	112
" 2d p.	130	311	284	187	140	164
Fourth Ward	224	196	217	276	230	134
Fifth " 1st p.	100	188	90	182	101	128
" 2d p.	192	285	201	286	203	228
Sixth Ward	316	266	327	229	340	198
Seventh "	108	169	107	112	121	81
Eighth "	232	121	221	143	216	102
Ninth "	171	105	141	93	188	75
ALLEGHENY.						
First Ward	247	112	220	122	250	91
Second Ward	211	78	206	71	205	61
Third Ward 1st p.	109	74	184	61	105	52
Third ward, 2d p.	64	157	76	143	70	143
Fourth " 1st p.	222	156	211	165	220	109
" 2d p.	59	112	62	111	76	93
BOROUGHS.						
Elizabeth	62	30	58	47	59	45
West Pittsburgh	46	59	42	53	44	60
Monongahela	67	40	73	33	62	34
Manchester	75	107	126	34	73	97
Sewickley	64	38	59	37	56	56
Birmingh'm, 1st p.	96	77	121	69	101	60
" 2d p.	99	93	140	60	97	74
East Birmingham	130	126	134	126	127	130
Duquesne	47	32	58	27	49	26
Lawrenceville	101	115	103	157	147	157
Sharpsburg	91	44	89	48	88	49
M'Keesport	51	48	59	46	74	55
South Pittsburgh	81	90	103	42	81	77
West Elizabeth	43	1	43	0	37	4
Tarentum	58	42	44	55	57	38
Temperanceville	72	79	49	100	73	71
TOWNSHIPS.						
Pitt	135	79	160	55	135	70
Collins	121	89	111	97	131	84
Plum	46	73	75	83	74	79
Penn	51	16	75	38	91	21
Elizabeth	196	98	201	125	220	92
Mifflin	108	127	85	133	88	132
Robinson	59	98	121	54	73	98
Moon	59	63	71	65	69	63
Franklin, 1st p	33	46	41	44	32	48
Franklin, 2d p	27	21	29	17	27	21
Baldwin	111	48	152	31	122	46
Reed	76	63	77	38	79	49
M'Candless	54	51	52	55	50	57
East Deer	44	15	54	29	60	18
Upper St. Clair	45	60	42	61	49	57
North Fayette	29	21	68	21	69	69
Neville	26	5	18	8	24	4
Shaler	78	19	79	19	49	39
Fawn, 1st p	56	57	66	50	54	59
Fawn, 2d p	23	14	32	14	28	37
Peebles, 1st p	87	66	86	66	85	42
Peebles, 2d p	87	11	85	11	83	13
Wilkins	41	22	24	153	19	151
Patton	22	17	17	38	70	46
Versailles	46	34	45	46	71	66
Jefferson	64	43	65	52	69	54
Chartiers	29	60	30	57	56	50
Findley	19	74	24	71	62	64
Ohio	66	14	52	19	51	19
Reserve	87	30	82	38	80	33
Snowden	102	39	83	72	120	35
Pine	53	51	61	43	82	31
West Deer	68	33	76	46	83	41
Indiana	32	59	57	99	88	66
Lower St. Clair	93	178	141	102	99	122
South Fayette	87	43	87	45	93	40
Sewickley	30	47	57	51	28	51
Crescent	10	22	13	18	12	18
M'Clure	32	62	24	57	23	61
Richland	25	72	50	52	42	50
Hampton	45	49	67	45	60	49
Union	48	62	80	49	73	51
Scott	31	80	64	49	69	57

DISTRICTS.	County Treasurer Aaron Floyd, R.	County Treasurer James Blackmore, U.	Coroner John McClung, R.	Coroner Wm. Alexander, U.	Director of Poor Robert H. Davis, R. and U.
PITTSBURGH.					
First Ward	174	129	210	72	...
Second Ward	220	141	182	114	...
Third Ward, 1st p.	150	158	182	122	...
Third Ward, 2d p.	101	226	173	175	...
Fourth Ward	224	153	230	164	...
Fifth " 1st p.	97	127	101	165	...
" 2d p.	178	283	182	257	...
Sixth ward	369	341	319	296	...
Seventh "	142	119	151	73	...
Eighth ward	177	182	146	206	...
Ninth Ward	177	92	181	89	...
ALLEGHENY.					
First Ward	240	109	230	112	...
Second Ward	235	89	188	80	...
Third Ward, 1st p.	159	64	166	70	...
Third Ward 2d p.	113	104	79	109	...
Fourth Ward, 1st p	242	131	222	135	...
" 2d p.	72	99	88	111	...
BOROUGHS.					
Elizabeth	57	47	52	49	101
West Pittsburgh	35	60	45	56	103
Monongahela	46	63	51	48	99
Manchester	69	104	83	118	143
Sewickley	45	48	51	43	80
Birmingham, 1st p	93	80	81	77	157
" 2d p.	81	111	76	152	162
East Birmingham	142	155	169	151	154
Duquesne	50	29	43	34	71
Lawrenceville	161	153	161	127	209
Sharpsburgh	86	60	86	45	139
M'Keesport	69	61	64	71	120
South Pittsburgh	92	145	69	96	155
West Elizabeth	37	6	37	6	46
Tarentum	51	45	54	44	90
Temperanceville	66	99	76	73	146
TOWNSHIPS.					
Pitt	101	113	121	82	197
Collins	102	96	106	104	198
Plum	62	82	78	79	156
Penn	62	37	67	48	112
Elizabeth	206	168	247	98	316
Mifflin	80	160	73	160	212
Robinson	66	107	61	122	165
Moon	69	63	77	63	128
Franklin, 1st p	39	51	25	62	81
Franklin, 2d p	31	57	24	47	71
Baldwin	102	69	87	77	164
Reed	85	50	69	72	106
M'Candless	61	56	47	60	106
East Deer	59	56	60	56	116
Upper St. Clair	58	67	42	80	75
North Fayette	50	77	40	86	102
Neville	21	16	13	13	30
Shaler	78	63	69	63	124
Fawn, 1st p	44	42	51	36	82
Fawn, 2d p	30	26	24	42	64
Peebles, 1st p	74	73	61	89	130
Peebles, 2d p	52	41	28	66	92
Wilkins	124	29	106	66	164
Patton	29	56	69	63	110
Versailles	77	63	72	66	132
Jefferson	71	51	62	55	106
Chartiers	19	84	23	64	89
Findley	54	88	51	76	111
Ohio	80	20	80	43	85
Reserve	88	90	82	93	179
Snowden	107	56	98	88	150
Pine	65	38	53	50	93
West Deer	81	41	83	41	123
Indiana	71	84	85	71	152
Lower St. Clair	84	177	71	187	222
South Fayette	92	42	88	42	131
Crescent	14	17	12	20	30
M'Clure	34	50	34	48	80
Richland	37	54	53	36	69
Hampton	62	47	64	50	107
Union	57	50	69	38	106
Scott	32	79	35	75	106

DISTRICTS.	ASSEMBLY. Thomas Williams, R and U	Thomas J. Bigham, R and U	Peter C. Shannon, R.	William Hutchman, R.	Sigismond Leow, R.	L. H. Carlisle, U.	A. H. Gross, U.	Thos. B. Hamilton, U.
PITTSBURGH.								
First ward	229	231	204	191	160	100	111	113
Second ward	305	299	319	293	258	199	135	147
Third ward, 1st p	191	198	172	172	126	158	158	148
" 2d p	445	310	260	144	128	206	310	309
Fourth ward	276	267	222	241	169	166	194	185
Fifth ward, 1st p	270	275	114	113	98	175	177	145
Fifth ward, 2d p	421	440	366	190	195	274	272	280
Sixth ward	565	536	522	526	268	244	259	263
Seventh ward	229	162	119	115	104	111	120	110
Eighth ward	351	340	228	253	173	180	170	161
Ninth ward	269	268	180	194	177	77	83	76
ALLEGHENY.								
First ward	259	257	241	251	195	167	121	122
Second ward	275	265	213	211	217	73	77	85
Third ward, 1st p	233	229	178	182	153	69	63	72
Third ward, 2d p	220	199	187	75	67	142	149	145
Fourth ward, 1st p	354	341	340	322	293	148	150	149
Fourth ward, 2d p	172	169	75	72	63	97	109	103
BOROUGHS.								
Elizabeth	97	99	66	68	48	45	44	45
W. Pittsburgh	103	93	81	47	57	67	62	82
Monongahela	108	95	67	64	60	45	45	46
Manchester	118	123	72	69	62	56	105	109
Sewickley	96	91	32	33	25	68	66	61
Birmingh'm, 1st p	161	151	109	103	95	61	70	97
Birmingh'm, 2d p	182	173	123	111	97	64	78	70
E. Birmingham	201	207	159	181	174	118	123	121
Duquesne	39	78	43	40	39	28	31	32
Lawrenceville	205	202	160	165	139	125	161	142
Sharpsburg	126	127	88	88	69	55	59	66
M'Keesport	101	100	77	75	70	55	53	57
S. Pittsburgh	101	101	95	78	67	85	92	82
W. Elizabeth	49	37	40	38	36	4	3	7
Tarentum	96	83	48	67	41	41	41	48
Temperanceville	149	141	92	73	65	70	70	76
TOWNSHIPS.								
Pitt	199	187	141	120	99	80	90	88
Collins	199	187	101	108	62	93	170	101
Plum	156	153	84	75	72	79	84	98
Penn	114	113	53	75	64	49	49	40
Elizabeth	316	311	214	228	157	98	100	102
Mifflin	224	214	99	91	92	129	205	189
Robinson	171	161	82	73	60	93	100	99
Moon	127	114	70	58	58	65	69	77
Franklin, 1st p	78	80	41	47	37	40	45	45
Franklin, 2d p	48	44	26	31	30	14	21	22
Baldwin	169	170	105	108	99	67	62	65
Reed	120	107	89	88	67	36	61	47
M'Candless	103	104	61	56	51	52	60	66
East Deer	74	73	49	43	28	20	54	20
Upper St. Clair	96	97	29	42	38	61	60	62
North Fayette	120	116	47	51	37	71	80	76
Neville	30	30	25	27	27	3	3	3
Shaler	133	132	84	78	68	56	48	55
Fawn, 1st p	81	83	43	57	21	34	16	31
Fawn, 2d p	66	65	25	30	18	37	35	47
Peebles, 1st p	121	130	74	76	30	68	183	68
Peebles, 2d p	92	79	75	66	49	31	38	38
Wilkins	169	165	116	132	112	41	48	48
Patton	112	108	67	79	71	39	84	48
Versailles	129	124	75	77	51	58	61	66
Jefferson	114	106	69	68	66	49	63	55
Chartiers	83	70	58	64	14	54	62	33
Findley	119	116	48	48	41	66	77	78
Ohio	102	102	68	83	62	19	19	36
Reserve	168	165	89	84	67	85	94	97
Snowden	156	152	108	112	70	67	54	51
Pine	90	89	49	55	57	3	36	33
West Deer	125	125	69	83	69	42	42	42
Indiana	153	154	64	71	59	80	94	83
Lower St. Clair	238	221	77	71	72	166	170	159
South Fayette	124	133	86	99	69	46	51	45
Sewickley	73	75	27	26	23	64	57	60
Crescent	27	27	12	19	12	19	20	20
M'Clure	80	80	33	31	32	60	61	59
Richland	73	74	42	44	29	21	20	25
Hampton	103	95	32	31	22	50	48	48
Union	101	98	78	72	68	35	34	35
Scott	107	108	52	41	34	74	71	66

WASHINGTON CITY WAR ITEMS.

GENERAL SCOTT.

There is no truth in the report that Gen. Scott is again suffering from bad health. His business hours are constantly employed without a moment's relaxation. Aside from the multitudinous duties of a military character, he is forced to listen to the claims of many ladies who are interceding for their husbands, brothers, &c., who have gotten into trouble.

REFUGEES.

During a visit at Munson's Hill to-day, I found quite a number of refugees within our lines who have been forced to leave their homes on account of their Union proclivities. None of them have not seen their families since the battle of Bull Run, and the stories of their sufferings are pitiable in the extreme. Their homes have been destroyed, their fields laid waste, and the charity of our humane troops only keeps them alive. They pilot our reconnoitering parties over the country, with every foot of which they are familiar, and render other equally important services.

FORT ERIN.

If any one ever doubted the material which forms our Irish regiment, he should see the New York Thirty-seventh engaged in throwing up the fortifications on Munson's Hill, which they have just named Fort Erin. Compared with the insignificant trenches of the chivalry, they present a striking contrast.

CELESTIAL RECONNOITERING PARTIES.

The balloon operations of Prof. Lowe have proved of much usefulness in watching the move ments of the rebels, and obtaining valuable information as to the effect of shot and shell fired from federal guns. Prof. Lowe is constructing four more balloons in Philadelphia, and by their aid at different points along the outer lines, will give the rebels little chance to make any considerable movement without being seen. It is said that one reason of their falling back was on account of their being continually under the aerial surveillance, so that they became discouraged in attempting any important strategy.

FEDERAL OCCUPATION OF LEWINSVILLE.

At six o'clock on Thursday the division under the command of General Smith at the Chain Bridge, advanced and occupied prominent positions in the neighborhood of Lewinsville. On the advance arriving at Langley's, the hitherto out posts of our army, the division was divided, a portion of them continuing up the Little Rock Run turnpike and occupying Prospect Hill, the other part of the division taking the new artillery road, and occupying Smooths' and Maxwell's Hills, a mile and a half this side of Lewinsville. The batteries were drawn up in prominent positions and the infantry placed in situations to support them.

The capture took place within a half a mile of a rebel encampment. So sudden was the descent of Capt. Barney upon the rebels and so much were they frightened that they had not time to draw their pistols. Only two horses out of eight escaped.

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The Future Ruler of Mexico.

THE BOURBON NOMINATED DECLINES THE THRONE.

In some recent remarks on the steps now pending for the pacification of Mexico, it was incidentally suggested that Don Juan de Borbon might prove a good selection to be recommended and supported as the future ruler of that country, either as elective President or Monarch. The choice, it was seen, would have the especial advantage of removing him from a sphere where he may be a cause merely of injurious agitation, and it was consequently probable that it might be regarded with satisfaction even by the Cabinet of Madrid. There was not the slightest ground, however, to suppose that any such nomination had yet been discussed, either on the one hand by the Powers who are now combining to fulfil their common duty to humanity and civilization, as well as to redress their specific wrongs in that country, or, on the other hand, by any class of persons desirous of promoting individual or dynastic interests. But the Prince has found that the opportunity has been taken to turn the matter to his disadvantage, by circulating an assumption that, notwithstanding his recent manifestoes with regard to Spain, he is simply anxious to get a throne wherever a vacancy may be discovered.

Hence he asks insertion for the following disclaimer. That he would have shown greater wisdom, patriotism and benevolence had he really desired to find a sphere in Mexico, is an opinion that will be widely entertained here, because that country is fully as important as Spain to the general interests of the world from the resources she is destined to develop as soon as order shall have been restored. It is also to be remarked that the objection that he would be regarded in Mexico as the nominee of foreigners has no validity whatever, since not only is his family history as much mixed up with that country as with Spain, but it is likwise considered certain that at least three-fourths of the population would hail with acclamation any one who might be placed among them with the power to redeem them from the horrors to which they are now subjected. For years all the letters received from the native merchants and traders have expressed this feeling, and it will soon, perhaps, be a matter of general astonishment to find how intrainsically small was the band of gamblers and miscreants who have so long kept the population of the entire country in terror, and totally checked them from pursuing that course of industry and enterprise which from old experience is known to be at least as natural to them as to any of the people of the other States of South America:

LONDON, September 10.

SIR—Some little time ago the City Article of the *Times*, in treating of the Mexican question, and the probable interference of the two great European Powers to check the anarchy and confusion prevailing in that unhappy country, was pleased to suggest myself as a suitable candidate for its throne. I could not, of course, but feel flattered at such a notice, but as it has led to misrepresentation, I trust you will allow me to remove the impression thereby engendered.

The suggestion thrown out has found an echo in the Continental journals, and my enemies, ever watchful of an opportunity to injure me in public estimation, have embraced this occasion to hold me up in the light of an ambitious, designing man, seeking only his own aggrandizement and utterly indifferant to other considerations so that this end be attained.

Allow me, therefore, since the channels which spread the report are closed to me, to publicly disclaim in your columns any thought or desire of the honor assigned me. Heir of the Spanish throne by my birthright, I hope yet to be King by the election of the people. But for me the throne of Mexico has no attractions. I do not look upon myself as a party to the Plan de Yanala, whereby it was provided that a Spanish Prince should succeed to the power then lost to the mother country. I am unknown in Mexico and have no adherents, and but few personal friends among any of the parties who divide this distracted country; so that I could only hope to occupy its throne by the support of foreign bayonets. Such a course would be utterly repugnant to my ideas and nothing shall ever tempt me to attain power by the violation of that liberty of choice which I have myself invoked, and upon which I am content to rest my claims to the Spanish Crown.

To me it seems that the only true foundation for the grandeur of a Prince lies in his affection of the people. As the nominee of foreigners, in Mexico I should always be looked upon as an oppressor.

I am not a claimant to the Spanish throne from personal ambition, but from the deep conviction that through my exertions and those of the liberal party my country may yet be raised to the position she should occupy among the free nations of Europe.

Had my cousin Isabella ruled Spain in accordance with the liberal ideas of the age, and in consonance with the expectations of the two great powers who supported her cradle, had the moral and material greatness of the country been developed by wise laws honestly carried out, had civil and religious liberty been *de facto* established and the wholesome action of a free press permitted, had international treaties been respected, and had my country a voice in the council of nations—in fine, if Sp