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WEDNESDAY MORNING, SEPT. 24.

**THE PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION.**

The President has at length yielded to the radicals in their demands for a proclamation: the last call in the Abolition game has been played and the country will see it, like all their experiments, a total and righteous failure. All we regret is that the President had not, nine months since, given the radicals all they demanded. Had he done so, their programme would, six months ago, have been a failure, and the country would not be prepared to follow their directions.

**A GREAT SPEECH.**

We commenced yesterday morning the publication of a great speech delivered by Hon. Horatio Seymour, before the Democratic State Convention of New York. It is a searching and sensible paper, and we commend it to the careful perusal of the reader.

**THE MEANNESS OF ABOLITION.**

We wish to direct the attention of the gentlemen of the Republican party to a bit of meanness on the part of the *Pittsburgh Gazette*, which on one but a most despicable wretch could or would be guilty of. Not content with daily slanders of that skillful scoundrel, General McClellan, this poor driveling and toothless calumniator goes from him to its readers intelligence furnished by telegraph, because it is calculated to produce a favorable opinion of the young commander. What reliance can be placed in such a paper's statements about our leading General in the service, when it stays up at night to mutilate the telegraphic dispatches of that gallant officer? The *Pittsburgh Gazette*, in its issue of the 18th inst., published in the *Post, Chronicle and Dispatch* of Monday, commencing with the following paragraph, is entirely omitted by the *Gazette*, except the two concluding paragraphs. The telegram commenced, our readers will remember, thus:

"The President and Cabinet are exulting over the events of the week. There is no longer a doubt as to McClellan's admirable generalship. It is now admitted that the President appointed Major General Halleck to his present position through McClellan's influence. It is well known that McClellan himself earnestly sought McClellan's services, and that he was not without chief reliance and hope in the chief of staff to which General Halleck's blunders and heavy defeat are attributable. The result has shown the wisdom of the President's selection, by demonstrating the chief of staff to be a man of the highest ability and courage." The paragraph, besides another complimentary of the greatest military genius of our country, and a man to whom selfish patriotism the country owes a debt of gratitude it can never pay, are suppressed by the organs of Abolitionism in our country, while its editorial columns are swarmed with slanders of both his conduct and motives. These chronic conspirators talk of half-hearted loyalty, indeed! They are traitors to the core of their cowardly hearts; and had they courage like the rebels, in proportion to their malice, they would have been in arms against the government long before the secession of the South was thought of.

**SOUTHERN EPIDEMICS.**

The Southern papers, up until within a few weeks ago, were constantly predicting a awful havoc which would be made among our soldiers by Southern epidemics, during the heated season; but up to the last accounts we learn that not a single case of yellow fever had been reported at New Orleans. The health of the city has, in fact, never been so good as during the present summer. This is due to one of the influences—either that of cleanliness, or that of the population, or that of the sanitary regulations, or that of the stringency of the quarantine laws, or that of the excellent character of the food, or that of the excellent character of the water. It is a medical theory that epidemics, such as the plague, the cholera and the yellow fever, cannot exist with great popular commotions. The fears and anxieties occasioned by the one are said to neutralize the predisposing causes of the other. The fact that the six weeks ago, when the cholera was in the city, the population was in a state of almost universal mourning, and that the epidemic was of the most virulent character, is a striking illustration of the influence of the population on the epidemic. The fact that the epidemic was of the most virulent character, is a striking illustration of the influence of the population on the epidemic.

**Eleven Rebellions.**

Since the organization of the Federal Government eleven attempts have been made to resist its authority. The first was in 1782, a conspiracy of some of the officers of the Federal army to consolidate the thirteen States into one, and confer the supreme power on Washington. The second in 1787, Shay's insurrection in Massachusetts. The third in 1794, called the Whiskey Insurrection of Pennsylvania. The fourth in 1814, by the Hartford Convention. The fifth in 1820, on the question of the admission of Missouri into the Union. The sixth was a coalition between the Legislature of Georgia and the Federal Government, in regard to the lands given to the Creek Indians. The seventh was in 1830, when the Cherokee National Government, established by an ordinance of the South Carolina, in 1832. The eighth was in 1862, in Rhode Island, between the Seignior Association and the State authorities. The tenth was in 1866, on the part of the Mormons, who resisted the Federal authorities. The eleventh is the present attempt at Secession.

**Matters and Things in Richmond.**

From the Washington Star.  
Two gentlemen, who were among the five thousand three hundred expelled prisoners who left Richmond on Sunday afternoon, arrived in this city to-day, and from them we gather the following particulars: There are but few troops in Richmond, the Confederates having sent all North. They continue to arrive from the South, but are sent on as fast as possible, and some guards now perform sentinel duty at the prisons.  
There are now in confinement at the Libby prison one hundred and eighty officers of General Pope's army, including room, the rebels still maintaining their position. There are also one hundred and fifty in the hospitals. When the prisoners were taken to Richmond, they were first taken to Washington, and then sent to Richmond, where they were put in the hospitals. There are now in confinement at the Libby prison one hundred and eighty officers of General Pope's army, including room, the rebels still maintaining their position. There are also one hundred and fifty in the hospitals. When the prisoners were taken to Richmond, they were first taken to Washington, and then sent to Richmond, where they were put in the hospitals.

**Gen. Banks' Achievement.**

Gen. Banks' retreat from Harper's Ferry without the loss of a man, is regarded by military men as a masterpiece of strategy. He was held behind by Pope to destroy the road leading to the Potomac, to disperse the rebels, and to burn one hundred and twenty thousand of the rebels' goods, worth two millions of dollars, after having led his soldiers to help themselves with what they wanted, which they did with impunity. His retreat was not only a masterpiece of strategy, but it was also a masterpiece of tactics. He was held behind by Pope to destroy the road leading to the Potomac, to disperse the rebels, and to burn one hundred and twenty thousand of the rebels' goods, worth two millions of dollars, after having led his soldiers to help themselves with what they wanted, which they did with impunity.

**Reward for Discovery of a Gold Field on Vancouver Island.**

Governor Douglas has issued the following proclamation:  
"Any person or persons who shall first discover a payable gold mine within the colony of Vancouver Island, shall be entitled to the exclusive right of working the same, for a term of years to be determined by the governing authorities." The reward is offered for a discovery of a gold mine on Vancouver Island, which is a large island in the Pacific Ocean. The reward is offered for a discovery of a gold mine on Vancouver Island, which is a large island in the Pacific Ocean.

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