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LOCAL INTELLIGENCE.

Missing Papers.

The following copies of the *Daily Post* are wanting at this office to complete our files. Will any of our friends having the following numbers oblige us by leaving them at the counting room, corner of Wood and Fifth streets:

Two copies of May 1st 1863,
Two copies Aug. 7th "

Manufacture of Tobacco in Pittsburgh.

Pittsburgh claims, and very justly, to be the Birmingham of America in the way of manufacturing iron. And in the great pride we feel at the success of our mammouth iron establishments, we are apt to forget that there are other branches of industry in our midst, which, a few years ago, were in their infancy, but now loom up in gigantic proportions, and require the use of a heavy capital, and the employment of a large number of operatives to carry them on. We might adduce a number of branches of manufactures which have in the past few years grown up in this city, the magnitude of which is not generally known; but we will content ourselves for the present, with the manufacture of tobacco. In order to speak knowingly on the subject, we called upon a number of the heaviest manufacturers of tobacco and cigars in this city, and from them ascertained the facts we give below. Our object is mainly to let our community know to what extent the manufacture of tobacco gives employment to females and boys, who would otherwise, perhaps, be without employ. W. & D. Rinehart, Nos. 149 and 151 Wood street, who are the heaviest dealers and manufacturers of tobacco in this city, and the pioneers in introducing female labor, employ 80 females, 64 boys and 20 men. The average wages made by the females per week is $5, and that of the little boys $2. They are employed in making "lumps" and "stripping;" the work is light, and can be learned in a very short time. They are all employed by the piece, and come and go when they choose. Notwithstanding the fact that the price of tobacco has increased since the war, the demand is greater than the supply at the present time, which, we suppose, is caused by the anticipated additional tax upon it; hence the desire to lay in a large stock before such a tax is levied. Be that as it may, the demand for tobacco is steadily on the increase, and the price is gradually ascending. If the war continues much longer the farmers of Pennsylvania will find the culture of tobacco to be remunerative, and will, doubtless, engage in it to a great extent. Indeed during the past season a considerable quantity was grown, and we hear that during the coming year large tracts of land will be devoted to its cultivation. Poor devastated Virginia is no longer able to supply us, and hence if we would indulge in the luxury of chewing and smoking to any extent, and at reasonable figures, we must produce the raw material ourselves.

We give the names of the following firms who are extensively engaged in the manufacture of tobacco, some of them nearly, if not quite, as heavy operators as the Messrs. Rinehart. These firms also find ready sales for all they can manufacture, and at remunerative prices. They also employ women and boys in the manufacture of "lump" and "stripping." We did not ascertain the exact number of operatives each firm employ, nor the average wages made by them; but we may safely conclude that they are as well paid for their labor by the firms named below, as they are by that mentioned above. The numbers, too, in some of them will not fall far short of that now employed by the Messrs. Rinehart. It will thus be seen that the manufacture of tobacco in our city gives investment to an immense amount of capital, furnishes employment to a great number of women, men and boys, and diffuses blessings and comforts largely among the people. Following are the firms referred to:

Geo. Weyman, corner of Smithfield and Diamond streets.

Wilson, Hays & Co., Irwin street, between Liberty and Penn.

Martin Hyle, Liberty street, near Wayne.

John Grager, Water street, near National Hotel.

Ed. E. McGraw, Hand street, between Liberty and Penn.

John W. Taylor, Penn street, above Canal bridge.

Maitland & Connor, St. Clair steet, near the bridge.

James Mazuree, corner of Pike street and the canal

CHAPLAIN OF CONGRESS.—The *Presbyterian Banner* is not pleased at the election of Rev. Dr. Channing as chaplain of the lower House of Congress because he is a Unitarian, and consequently, in the opinion of the *Banner* is not a christian and cannot "take the members to the throne of grace." If all accounts of the corruption which exists among the solons of the nation at Washington, neither Dr. Channing, or any other man, can lead many of them to the "throne of grace." They are incorrigible sinners, if one half said of them be true.

TO BE MUSTERED OUT.—The Uniontown *Genius of Liberty* of the 16th says: "One company of the cavalry battalion left here yesterday morning for Pittsburgh. Their time having nearly expired, they go there preparatory to being mustered out. Reports are conflicting in regard to the departure of the rest. We have been told they would remain here for some time, and have been told that one company would leave each day, until they all depart."

GRAND IDEA.—The Oil City *Register* suggested last week that the producers of the oil region should give the proceeds of one day's flow to the U. S. Sanitary Commission, to be used for the benefit of our brave soldiers, and that the citizens and business men should all contribute such sums as they choose. The gift would be a princely one, and the donors would not miss it from their store of worldly wealth.

EXPLOSION.—The Oil City *Register* of the 16th says: One evening last week a man residing at Walnut Bend, on the Allegheny river, just above here, held a lighted lantern into the receiving tanks of a well, in order to ascertain whether the oil was flowing into it. The gas in the tank took fire from the lantern and exploded, burning up the tanks and its contents, and also, the man severely. We did not ascertain his name.

DEDICATION.—Next Sunday, the 20th inst., the Rt. Rev. Bishop Domenec will dedicate the new German church at Hollidaysburg.

Weekly Review of the Oil Business.

In its review of the oil business the Oil City *Register*, of the 17th says: The market has been exceedingly active for the past week. Buyers, in the anticipation of the tax of ten cents per gallon on crude, recommended to be imposed by Secretary Chase and the Commissioner of Internal Revenue, seem anxious to buy as much as they can get; but the article is scarce just at present. We learn that both the Noble and Mable Shade wells are running on contracts, which will take the full amount of their production for the next thirty days, perhaps more. The production of these two wells comprise over one-third of the whole amount daily produced upon the Creek. The present rise is viewed by producers as wholly owing to the probability of the imposition of the excise duty, and consequently of doubtful stability. But the demand is so brisk, that those having oil to sell, are asking an advance, and in most cases had no difficulty in getting it. The river is in fine boating order. The weather is cold, yet most of the oil on hand here will got off. The whole amount to go forward we should estimate at about 35,000 or 40,000 barrels, much of which will be on refiners' and speculators' account. Sales have been made during the week upon the Creek at $4, but on Tuesday producers were firmer in their views, and were asking an advance. We give, therefore, as the ruling quotations, $4@4 25 per barrel at the wells, and 5@5 50 per barrel at this point, with small sales at $8 80 on the wharf, packages included. The market closes firm and buoyant, the advantage being rather with sellers, on account to a great extent of the good chance which the river presents to get oil forward. Freights to Pittsburgh 75 cents to $1. Several steamers are due this (Wednesday) evening.

The following are the amounts of oil received and shipped from the principal warehouses for the week ending Tuesday:

SMITH & CO.'S WAREHOUSE.	
Number of Barrels oil received	1,860
shipped	1,540
Empty Barrels received	1,610
BURGESS & CO.'S WAREHOUSE.	
Number Barrels oil received	2,160
shipped	1,700
Empty barrels received	51
R. M'CLINTOCK'S WAREHOUSE.	
Number Barrels of oil received	690
shipped	37
Empty barrels received	420

THE DRAFT.—We do not mean the draft that is to be obviated in this State by liberal subscriptions to the bounty fund, but that more interesting draft that is now taking place from the pockets of our citizens who are buying gifts for the Holidays. The sales at the Wheeler & Wilson Sewing Machines for this purpose alone, at 27 Fifth street, during the past month, from our own positive knowledge, foot up a fabulous sum. We rejoice to know that it is so. Thousands of the most sensible ladies in the land to day bless the name of Wheeler & Wilson for the benefits derived from the use of this superior immitable, and in all respects unapproachable Sewing Machine, and, from present appearances, the number of wives, mothers, daughters, sisters and others, that the coming holidays will add to this happy list will amount to thousands. This universal preference for the Wheeler & Wilson Machine is based upon the fact that it is a great living reality, and not a subject experiment, as too many find other machines in the market to be, to their sorrow. The permanent supremacy of this great machine could, in fact, no sooner be supplanted than you could supplant the North star, or upset a mountain. Again we say to all, call at their sale-rooms and see the variety of works which can be done on these machines.

QUEER PROCEEDINGS.—James E. Giles, a private of Capt. Brown's company, A, Sixty second regiment, Pennsylvania Volunteers, now commanded by Col. Switzer, called upon us yesterday, and related the following strange proceeding on the part of a detective on the Provost Marshal's staff. It seems that Giles, who is a discharged soldier, was in a certain drinking saloon, when the detective came in and proposed to him to play a game of cards for the drinks. This was assented to, and after the game was played and the drinks taken, the detective suggested a walk, and on passing the Provost Marshal's office, the parties went up stairs, when, to the utter amazement of Giles, he was locked up, on suspicion of being a deserter *although he had a regular discharge in his pocket.* He was indignant at this mode of treatment, and at once sent word to Capt. Wright, informing him of his situation, who sent down a sergeant to inquire into the matter—the discharge was presented to Capt. Foster, who declined to act in the matter until he could see the detective. And it was not until a late hour yesterday that Giles was liberated. To say the least, this is a queer proceeding, and we would like to know how it will be explained.

RAISING THE WAGES.—The Pennsylvania railroad company has increased the pay of its employees in the round house and machine shops in Harrisburg. This step is taken in consequence of the increased cost of living, and is a generous and considerate act, worthy of the great company by which it is made. It is likely the same will be done here.

ORDINATION.—On Tuesday of last week the Bishop conferred tonsure and minor orders on Mr. James P. Tahany, a student of St. Michael's Seminary. On Thursday he ordained him subdeacon; on Friday, deacon; and on Saturday elevated him to the priesthood. The ceremonies took place in the Cathedral.—*Catholic.*

SCARCITY OF LABOR.—The present coal boat rise has taken away from the city a large number of laboring men and mechanics. The consequence is that a great amount of business in the city requiring day labor, has come to a stand still. Our friend, Capt. A. McDonald, informed us the other day that out of some twenty hands in his employ but one had reported on Monday morning last. Our neighbors, Lupton, Oldden & Co., are in a similar fix and the same may be said of many other employers in the city.

"AS WE SUGGESTED."—Some time ago Mr. John Quinn, member of Council from the Third Ward, had a resolution passed ordering that the names of the streets be painted on houses fronting on street corners. In noticing the matter at the time, we suggested that it was better to paint the names on the gas lamps. This is now being done to a certain extent, and we hope the good work will not cease until every lamp at street corners shall be furnished in like manner.

ST. PAUL'S CATHEDRAL.—The Treasurer of St. Paul's Cathedral, gives notice to the creditors of the church, "to present all notes and certificates of deposit bearing interest, to the treasurer of said church for settlement before the 31st instant. It is further stated, that the interest on each and every such note or certificate of deposit, if not pretented within the time above specified, will thereafter cease.

COMING HOME.—A large number of men from the Army of the Potomac have arrived here on furlough within the last ten days. They will have the pleasure of passing Christmas with their friends, and no doubt whatever they will enjoy themselves.

CARD PHOTOGRAPHS.—Five hundred just received. Only one dollar per dozen at Pittock's, opposite postoffice.

Copper Mine Items.

The following items in regard to the Lake Superior mines, will be read with interest by many of our readers:

BAY STATE.—The vein in the Tyler shaft is very fine. The mass is full nine feet high, and there is a splice in the loke near the bottom of the shaft, making another mass.

PŒNIX.—The mine continues to yield well, and if they are enabled to get off all the copper they raise till the close of navigation it will more than fulfil the expectation of its management.

NATIONAL.—Good accounts from this mine. No. 2 shaft is nearly down to the eighth level, and is sinking through a vein that more than pays its way, one mass the past week of over a ton weight being taken from the bottom, where the vein is fully four feet wide. Product for October, 40 tons.

MANDAN.—They are confident of striking the vein here in three or four weeks; the vein in the green-stone looks very good indeed, and it is found in more metalliferous ground (as that where the work is now being done) will give good results.

STAR.—Work is going on vigorously. The shaft on the Amygdaleid bed is opening a splendid show of copper; better than anything yet seen on the property. The tram road is fast approaching completion.

The product of the stamp work in the Ontonagon district, it is estimated from present indications, will be double each successive year for some time to come.

The mines on Keweenaw Point were never giving better results than at present.

THE HOLIDAYS APPROACHING.—*What and Where Shall We Buy?*—We need not remind the reader that the holidays are fast approaching. The fact is patent to every one. Then where shall we buy and when shall we buy? are questions which will commend themselves to all who wish to make a valuable and suitable Christmas offering. We can think of nothing that would be more appropriate than a piano or a melodeon; things which should adorn every household. Then having found the very kind of articles, the next thing is where shall we get them? This question is easily answered. Messrs. Kleber & Bro., Fifth street, have on hand a large stock of those world renowned instruments—the Steinway piano. They have also on hand the Calender, Miller & Co., and other superior kinds of pianos. One of Carhart's parlor melodeons would also make a desirable Christmas gift. Call and see the instruments, and judge for yourselves.

THE Board of Enrollment, (22 District,) meets at ten o'clock, and call over cases of Manifest Permanent Disability: (they do not examine cases of consumption, disease of heart, liver, kidneys, &c., until the person is drafted.)

After these the names of applicants for Alienage, Non-residence and Unsuitable Age, numbered from 1,000 to 1,100 will be called—none over No. 1,100.

At two in the afternoon disability cases will have another chance, *no matter how high the number* of the application.

"Election of Parent" applications may be filed but will not be heard until Wednesday, 23d inst.

No numbers over 1,100 can be heard until the parties are drafted, unless the Department extends the time, which expires to day.

PROCTOR'S BENEFIT.—This stirring actor's rendition of the character of "Gio" last evening, on the occasion of his benefit, was marked from first to last by the principal "stock," with the exception of Miss Eberlie, Mrs. Hyatt and Mr. Sefton, being most deplorably at fault in their parts. This is a matter of frequent occurrence at the theatre; but last evening it was outrageously obvious, and even the "prompter" seemed to be *non est* at times. With all due respect, we would call the attention of Manager Henderson to this seeming dereliction of duty—or, what is the same, inattention to the same—on the part of certain candidates for histrionic fame under his managerial control. Come, gentlemen, be close students, if you would win the kindly regards of a decerning Pittsburgh public. More anon.

PITTSBURGHERS ABROAD.—The following Pittsburghers were in Philadelphia on Thursday:—B. S. Warington and wife, W. Wade, John F. Jennings, F. R. Brunot, J. Houke, W. S. Haven, Jas. Brownlee, E. D. Baldwin, J. Alston, W. Smith, J. Kirkpatrick, C. B. Armstrong, F. Lawion, T. S. Leisenring, T. J. Parker, P. Roich, R. Deakey, P. C. Shannon, Charles C. Scaife, D. E. Moorhead, J. Know, Reuben Miller, D. S. Macrum.

SERIOUS ASSAULT.—A party of colored men, said to be employed at the Government stables at the fair grounds, committed a murderous assault on Mr. George Diamond, proprietor of the Pearl Hotel, on Wednesday night last. Two colored men have been arrested on suspicion of being concerned in the matter.

ALWAYS ON TIME.—Pittock sends us Harper's Weekly and New York Illustrated News for next week. They are complete numbers. Pittock keeps on hand all the latest Eastern and Western dailies and weeklies, as well as anything else in the line of a complete periodical store.

DAM AT M'KEE'S ROCKS.—It is proposed to erect a dam across the Ohio river at M'Kee's Rocks, which, it is contended would make a safe harbor for coal boats from that place to lock No. 1, on the Monongahela river.

COALBOATS LOST.—It is rumored that W. A. Brown lost three coalboats at the mouth of Green river. They were in tow of the "Collier," *en route* for New Orleans to supply the Government.

KILLED.—An unknown man was run over and killed on the Connellsville railroad on Thursday night near this city. There was no one before the coroner's jury who knew the unfortunate man.

MAJ. CROW.—The bogus Maj. Crow is now on trial before a court-martial in this city. The Major's days for settling Quartermaster's accounts are about over, and Uncle Sam is about to settle up him.

LIBERAL.—Some eight thousand dollars have been subscribed by the citizens of South Pittsburgh for the purpose of paying extra bounties to volunteers. This is the way to avoid the draft.

ORPHAN'S FAIR.—The annual fair for the benefit of St. Paul's Orphan Asylum will open on Monday evening, the 21st instant, at Concert Hall, Fifth street.

ALBUMS.—Persons wishing to make an appropriate present should call and examine Pittock's large selection of albums before purchasing elsewhere. You will profit by so doing. Don't forget the place, Pittock's, opposite the Postoffice.

HARPER for this week. Leslie, and Clipper in depot for this week. Ballou, Peterson, Arthur, and all the late papers, magazines and books at Pittock's, opposite postoffice.

REMEMBER THE CHILDREN.—The great sale of toys will commence on Monday evening next, at McClelland's auction house.

LADIES Ankiet Balmorals, also Misses' and Childrens' Balmoral Boots, at McClelland's Auction House, 55 Fifth st.

BALMORAL SKIRTS will be closed out at McClelland's Auction House, 55 Fifth street.

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FOR Holiday presents call and see Pittock's selections.

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AMUSEMENTS.

CONCERT HALL.—*Morningstar's Minstrels.*—Last evening there was a fine audience at Concert Hall to witness the performance of this truly excellent troupe. This afternoon there will be a Grand Matinee for the benefit of ladies and children who cannot conveniently attend in the evening. To-night will be the last of the season and we expect to see crowded houses both afternoon and evening.

HOLMAN OPERA TROUPE.—Our music loving citizens are on the *qui vive* for Monday evening next, it being the opening night of this celebrated troupe. The opera selected is the "Bohemian Girl," affording us an opportunity to hear such charming melodies as the "I dreamed that I dwelt in Marble Halls," "The Heart Bowed Down," "The fair land of Poland," and duett's, trio's, quartette's and choruses absolutely enchanting. Everybody will go and see the "Bohemian Girl."

HOLMAN OPERA TROUPE.—This popular operatic troupe commences a short engagement here on Monday evening. See advertisement.

THEATRE.—Mr. Proctor was made the recipient of a substantial benefit last evening. This evening is the last of his engagement. Let him have a bumper at parting.

COMMERCIAL.

PITTSBURGH GENERAL MARKET

OFFICE OF THE DAILY POST, SATURDAY, December 19, 1863.

Business—was not very active yesterday that is there was no large transactions, but still there was a good local business transacted. Several of our large dealers expect to introduce new bacon into market during the coming week. Among the sales we note as follows:

Hay—The sales only amounted to 11 loads at the scales at $33 00@40 00

Butter—Sales of 600 lbs fresh roll at 26@28c. Sales of inferior at lower figures.

Eggs—scarce. We quote, nominally at 25c ⅌ dozen

Groceries—Holders generally were demanding an advance of ½c on sugar and 1 cent ⅌ lb on coffee. In the present state of the market we think it better to omit prices until they become more settled.

Apples—Sales of 450 bbls at $2 20@2 40 ⅌ bbl—sale from store at the usual advance on these rates.

Cheese—Among the sales were 100 boxes W. R., at 11c; 20 do Hamburg at 15c and 10 do Goshen, nine juice.

Rice—sales of 12 tierces Rangoon at 8c ⅌ lb

Salt—Sales of 100 bbls, No 1 at $1 [illegible] from store

Fish—As prices were unchanged we omit quotations this time.

Flour—sales of 300 bbls. Extra at $5 00; Extra Family at $7 00@7 25; 200 bbls do, at the same figures.

Whisky—We note small operations at 30@30c for city rectified.

Grain—As prices were unchanged we omit them in this issue.

PITTSBURGH OIL TRADE.

SATURDAY, Dec. 19, 1863

We have nothing new to note in regard to this article. Crude—Holders were asking one price and buyers were offering another. The only sales that came under our notice were 254 bbls. crude, including packages, at 22c and 200 bbls. in bulk at 20c. Refined was unchanged as regards prices or demand. The nominal rates were, boxed at 40c and free at 50c.

MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

New York Market.

NEW YORK, Dec 18.—Cotton quiet and without change. Flour 5@10c better and market firm; $6 45@6 60 for extra State; $6 50@7 75 for R. H. O.; $7 65@9 75 for Trade Brands. Whisky firmer $1 [illegible] for State and Western, closing firm at 90. Wheat 1c better; $1 44@1 50 for Genesee spring; $1 [illegible]@1 [illegible] for Milwaukie Club; $1 53 for old do; $1 46@1 [illegible] for Amber Milwaukie $1 [illegible] for winter Red Western. Rye is active and lower; $1 [illegible]@1 [illegible] Corn fully 2 better, $1 [illegible] for Western in store. Pork more active; $17@17 75 for old mess; $18 25@18 [illegible] for new mess; $12@12 75 for new prime; $10 50@13 for old and new prime mess. Bacon sides in active demand. Lard steady at 11½@12½.

New York Money Market.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—Money in good demand at 7 ⅌ cent. Sterling steadily firmer and quiet; $1 [illegible]@1 60½. Gold unsettled and firmer, opening at 52½ and declining to 52½

Philadelphia Market.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 18.—Flour dull. Family $5 [illegible]@5 [illegible]. Wheat dull. White $1 [illegible]@1 [illegible]. Corn dull; new Yellow $1 [illegible]@1 [illegible]; old $1 [illegible]@1 [illegible]. Oats firm at 83. Whisky firm.

Baltimore Market.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 18.—Flour dull and drooping. Wheat declining and heavy.

JOSEPH MEYER.....ANTHONY MEYER
JOSEPH MEYER & SON,
MANUFACTURERS OF
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NEW YORK, December 18.—A *Herald* special of the 17th, says: The Democratic members of Congress held a caucus this evening at the capitol, which was very fully attended. The future policy of the party was discussed and a general unanimity expressed in favor of voting all the men and means required for the vigorous prosecution of the war. A committee was appointed to prepare a future time and place for holding the National Democratic Convention for the nomination of candidates, to be supported for the Presidentialelection. The caucus then adjourned to meet next Monday.

A number of border state men, who have not generally acted with the Democrats this session, were present and took part in the proceedings. It is intended to place the party fairly and squarely upon a war platform, and it is understood that those Democrats, who have thus far acted upon the peace platform, will give in their adhesion to the war policy.

The Military Committee of the Senate held a session this evening, and will tomorrow report amendments to the Conscription Act. It is understood they will be passed before the Senate adjourns tomorrow. The bill as introduced by Senator Wilson will be amended in some of its details materially from the form in which it was referred to the Committee.

The number of veterans who will reenter the service from the Army of the Potomac will be upwards of 20,000, and an equal if not a larger proportion of veterans in other armies will volunteer for three years or the war.

NEW YORK, December 18.—A special to the *Times* from Washington City dated 17th, says: Gen. Hitchcock has gone to Fortress Monroe with a final proposition to the rebel authorities for an exchange of prisoners. He will probably offer to exchange man for man and grade for grade without reference to officers or men of colored regiments. Up to last night it had been decided to commit the whole business of exchange to Gen. Butler.

General Sickles has asked for a court of inquiry upon the charges contained in Gen. Halleck's report. Other officers have made similar requests.

In a letter to the President, Gen. Schofield has asked to be relieved from the command of Missouri. Mr. Lincoln signified his intention to send his name again to the Senate, as he failed to secure a confirmation at the last session. The President has also determined to assign him to another command. Rosecrans will probably be sent to Missouri.

A bill will soon be introduced into Congress increasing the pay of commissioned officers 20 per cent.

It is rumored to night that Surgeon-General Hammond has been mustered out of the service.

LEAVENWORTH, December 18.—Accounts from the Plains, represent great suffering among men and stock. In consequence of a snow storm, no hay or grass can be had, and the stock is dying off by hundreds from starvation. Many lives are known to be lost by the intense cold. Over one hundred trains are out, and much anxiety is felt for their safety. Fourteen inches of snow have fallen here, much drifted. All the roads are blockaded. There have been no mails for three days.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18.—The Richmond papers of the 16th have a telegram from Atlanta, announcing positively that Grant had evacuated Chattanooga, and was falling back on Nashville, tearing up the railroad as he retreated, and that Hardee will pursue him. Longstreet, it is said, would attempt to hold Northeastern Tennessee. The papers were very bitter on Lincoln's message.

NEW YORK, December 18.—A special to the *World*, dated Washington, December 17, says:—I am informed that the Army of the Potomac is to lose its substantial identity, so far as corps and organization are concerned. It may be that some of its Brigadiers will follow their compatriots to the West.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 18.—Two Union prisoners, Capt. H. T. Anderson, of the 51st Indiana, and Lieut. J. T. Skelton, of the, 17th Iowa regiment, who escaped from Libby prison a week ago arrived here Friday.

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