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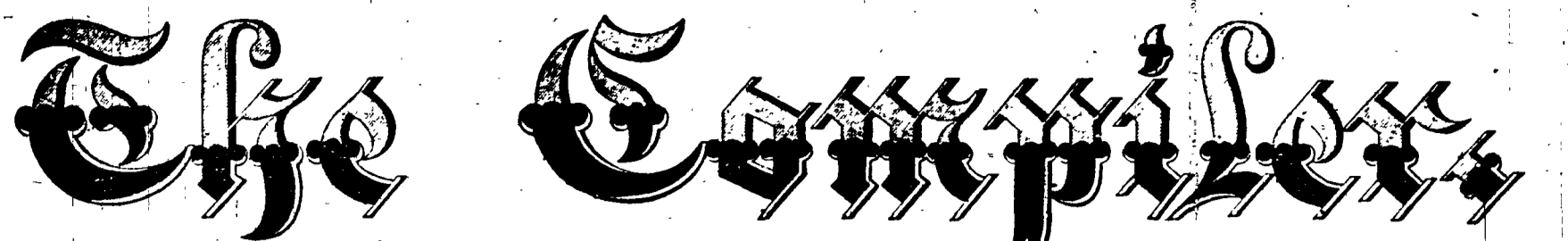
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The Muse.

Will you, good friend, I sought thee ere now. The Muse of War, And where dost thou with a laughing brow?

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upon the city. The disappearance of the enemy from the front of Washington, and their passage into Maryland, enlarged the sphere of operations, and made an active campaign necessary to cover Baltimore.

Having made the necessary arrangements for the defence of the city in the new condition of things, I pushed forward the First and Ninth corps, under Gen. Reno and Hooker, during the night, under the command of General Burnside, to the 5th instant; thence the First corps, by Brookville, Cooksville and Ridgeville, to Frederick; and the Ninth corps, by Dumas, New Market and Frederick.

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the means of reaching the flank of the enemy, and having, as a lateral movement, direct relations to the attack on the principal pass, while it at the same time presented the most direct practicable route for the relief of Harper's Ferry.

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ly as possible. The corps of Burnside and Porter (the latter having by one weak division present) were ordered to move by the Sharpsburg road, and Franklin to advance into Pleasant valley, occupy Rohrer'sville and to endeavor to relieve Harper's Ferry.

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the wounded being General Richardson. The condition of things on the right towards the middle of the afternoon, notwithstanding the success wrested from the enemy by the stubborn bravery of the troops, was this time unpromising.

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enemy's loss is believed, from the best source of information, to be nearly thirty thousand. Their dead were mostly left on the field, and a large number of wounded were left behind.

While it was a great pleasure to speak of the gallantry and devotion of the officers and men generally displayed through this conflict, I feel it necessary to mention that some of the officers and men skulked from their places until the battle was over—Death on the spot must have been the fate of all such cowards, and the hands of the military commanders must be strengthened with all the power of the Government to inflict it summarily.

Under the same circumstances, had the besieging force on the Virginia side at Harper's Ferry not been withdrawn, I would have had 35,000 or 40,000 less men to encounter at Antietam, and must have destroyed or captured all opposed to me. As it was, I had to engage an army fresh from a recent and, to them, great victory, and to reap the disadvantage of their being freshly and plentifully supplied with ammunition and supplies.

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THE WAR COMMITTEE IN CONGRESS.

IMPAUCHING THE PRESIDENT. The war committee, whose purpose it was to destroy the reputation of Gen. McClellan, have been unable to trump up any charge against him, than that of extreme caution.

General Newton opened the subject to the President. At first the President, General Newton, expressed it, very naturally conceived that they had come there for the purpose of furnishing General Burnside, and suggesting some other person to fill his place. General Newton stated that, while he believed the principal cause of the deplorable condition of the army was the want of confidence in the military capacity of General Burnside, he deemed it improper to say so to the President.

With the day closed this memorable battle, in which, perhaps, nearly two hundred thousand men were for fourteen hours engaged in combat. We had attacked the enemy in position, and he had retreated to the crest of the hill, and secured a footing within it on the other. Under the depression of previous reverses, we had achieved a victory over an adversary invested with the prestige of former successes and inflated with a sense of his own invulnerability.

The night, however, presented serious questions; morning brought with it grave responsibilities. To renew the attack on the 18th, or defer it, with the chance of the enemy's retirement after a day of suspense, were the questions before me. A careful and anxious survey of the condition of my command, and my knowledge of the enemy's force and position, failed to impress me with any reasonable certainty of success if I renewed the attack without reinforcing columns.

Gen. Burnside came to Washington to accept the command of the Army of the Potomac. He was informed of the true state of the case. He was informed by the President that some General officers from the army of the Potomac, whose names he declined to give, had called upon him and represented that Gen. Burnside contemplated some making a movement, and that the army was so dispirited and demoralized that any attempt to make a movement at that time must result in disaster.