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IN A NUTSHELL.

The fall in Reading values upon the announcement of the proposed plan of rehabilitation should be regarded as a sign of the ominous financial condition of the country.

The country is now passing through a panic like that of 1873, and from similar causes. In 1873 the nation was inherently prosperous, and yet in a day there was distress.

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The result was far from satisfactory. The enemy would, the enemy persistently declined to show force beyond what was necessary to engage our skirmish line, and we uncovered by a gun or two at intervals along his line to reply to our artillery.

It will be understood that loss of life on the picket line and to a less degree of reconnaissance is not directly decisive of war, hence we speak of lives "thrown away" in these duties.

There is no cause for this distrust nor for anxiety as to the future of the Reading. But the moral sentiment of the country has received a rude shock.

What the country needs is a restoration of public confidence. Great properties like the Reading, with their enormous earning powers, are as good to-day as they were six months ago.

The new immigration regulations provide that if immigrants are unable to produce documents or information to show by whom their passage was paid, whether they were in prison or poorhouse, or whether they are under contract to labor in this country.

The friends of undesirable immigrants would be quite willing to pay the extra \$10 to get rid of such men, and, as steamship companies are in business for all they can make, there is a loophole here for the landing of immigrants of every class.

At this Ash, taking in the situation at the latter part of the winter of 1864, a party of northern Virginia was in encampment along the Rapidan river.

SAINT CECILIA.

To Saint Cecilia, hushed in sleep, Heaven's angels showed their brows of flame.

A BRAVE DEED.

To the latter part of the winter of 1864, a party of northern Virginia was in encampment along the Rapidan river, while the Union forces under General Meade occupied the country about Culpeper Court House, facing the Confederates.

On one of these reconnaissances the event occurred which I am about to relate. It must be premised, to an understanding of what followed, that the object of one army is to find out and develop facts as to the other, then this last thwarts attempts of the kind so far as possible in order to keep the adversary in ignorance.

On a stormy morning in February, 1864, my division of cavalry marched from its camp in front of Culpeper Court House, Va., with instructions to reconnoiter the left of the enemy's line on the Rapidan river and develop the force in that direction without bringing on a general engagement.

The division consisted of three brigades of cavalry, each of the brigades being accompanied by a battery of light, or horse, artillery. A force of Confederate cavalry, which was on picket duty on the Rapidan river, was easily driven in, and on the evening of the day we started we found ourselves face to face with the enemy, with the Rapidan river between us.

The work of discovering the enemy's strength was the task of the afternoon, but up till the following morning. After placing our pickets to insure against surprise, we made ourselves as comfortable for the night as the weather of an unusually raw Virginia February would permit.

Early the following morning the cavalry and artillery moved toward the river in our front, and a lively skirmish with small arms, accompanied by artillery, commenced and was well sustained on both sides.

Leading the advance guard, consisting of a squadron of cavalry, was Captain Ash—destined to be the hero of the occasion. Following this advance at a proper distance were the cavalry and artillery of the division, properly formed for effecting a lodgment on the farther side of the river.

The instructions to Captain Ash contemplated the possible crossing of not more than his advance guard, and not all of that if what we desired to discover could be effected before all had crossed. In this event the command was to be held so as to cover his retreat and protect him from pursuit by the enemy.

Ash advanced with his squadron amid the stillness of death. The skirmish firing and booming of large guns which had attended our attempts of the morning were hushed, and the silence which prevailed showed that the enemy was intent on keeping us in ignorance of their numbers and determined to make us pay heavily for information.

The anxiety was intense. We knew when the enemy opened fire at short range that the advance guard must be the first and greatest sufferers.

Ash with his small command moved on. The works in front, slanting and alert, denuded and aimed by a writer of thawing and freezing, seemed deserted. Now the few mounted men showed in front of the advance guard were entering the ford.

Many a strong man in our command prayed at that moment for Ash and his men. He had now gained a vantage position where because of a turn in the river above he commanded a view of the interior of the Confederate breastworks. What he saw no one could tell.

But just then the enemy opened with a few scattered shots, and a withering volley followed. By a motion rather than a command Ash indicated to his squadron to seek cover, when he, bending forward on his horse's neck, turned to the right and rode as a rapid gallop along the river bank parallel to the enemy's works, followed as close as possible by the rest of the squad.

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Since, raised up, his horse, and turning toward the Confederates raised his hat and acknowledged their cheers with a graceful salute repeated several times.

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I need scarcely add that we united with the Confederates in cheering the bold rider who went out to the generous foe who so well appreciated a gallant act and so cheerfully acknowledged it.

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ITALIAN BANK SCANDAL.

Signor Cucchiello indicted for Embezzling 2,450,000 Lire.

Signor Cucchiello, who was manager of the Bank of Naples, and who was disguised as a priest when arrested by the police in the latter part of January on the charge of which he has just been indicted, has confessed that he abstracted the entire sum which he is accused of embezzling in January last.

Signor Cucchiello had handed to a person he did not wish to name, and who undertook to return the amount within four days.

Chicago, June 7.—The World's Fair city welcomed the Infanta of Spain just after noon. Thousands of cheering people lined the sidewalks particularly in the neighborhood of the Board of Trade.

At 11 o'clock breakfast was served in the Infanta's car. The members of the suite breakfasted early in the dining car.

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