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CANTON, MISS.

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FAST DAY.

Governor Clark has just issued an order, in compliance with a resolution of the Legislature, appointing and setting apart the 10th day of this month for fasting, humiliation and prayer. It is Thursday next, and we hope the same will be rigidly observed by our people. As a nation, our trust should be in God.

Hurray for Madison County!

Since the commencement of the war, Miss M. N. Cross, of Sulphur Springs, in this county, has knit and donated to the soldiers, 99 pairs of socks; 30 pairs of gloves; and also made and given 15 shirts.

Her charity and patriotism are of a scriptural and substantial character, and many brave hearts will anthem her praises in years to come.

Very Latest from the Front.

Persons just out from Vicksburg, report the Federals say that they are getting every thing ready to pay us another visit soon, and establish for the winter, their headquarters at Canton and Jackson.

We are rather inclined to the opinion that nothing more than foraging excursions will be made for some time to come.

Reports yesterday, locate some four hundred of the enemy, at or near Mechanicsburg, between Big Black and Yazoo rivers.

For the Citizen.

Constitution of the United States.

IN MEMORIAM.

The Constitution was once the pride of the American citizen, and the hope of the wise and good in other lands. Under its benign protection, a great country was at peace, prosperous, powerful and happy. During the latter years of its brief existence—brief, if

"A thousand years scarce serve to form a State," it suffered grievously from the assaults both of professed friends and avowed enemies, and finally came to a violent death under the administration of Abraham Lincoln.—*Requiescat in pace.*

Let the people of our Confederacy take warning from the fate of that great and proud nation of which we were recently a part.—There was no acknowledgement whatever of the Supreme Being in their political Constitution—they had forgotten God—and it is no wonder their glory has departed. "The most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will." We recognize in our Constitution, the authority of Him "by whom kings reign and princes decree justice," to whom nations as well as individuals are accountable. It is well we have done so; but more than this is required if we would secure the favor of the most High, or would hope to prosper. It is time to give heed to the authoritative assertion, "righteousness exalteth a nation, but sin is a reproach to any people." D.

FROM THE SOUTHWEST.

CAIRO, NOV. 17, 1863.

The Little Rock Democrat of the 3d says: Deserters report Marmaduke as having fallen back south of the Little Missouri river, and have joined Price on the road leading from Camden to Washington.

The whole southern force is estimated at from 6,000 to 8,000.

Marmaduke's men were scouring the country in flannel uniforms to detect Union sympathizers, many of whom have been shot or hung. Recruiting is still progressing.

Little Rock private advices from Memphis, say the rebels are reported working. The Mobile, Ohio and Mississippi Railroads, North are repairing as rapidly as possible.

TO "WAVERLY."

Oh! tell me not my idle words
Have parted us forever,
And we who loved so fondly once
Must now so coldly sever,
Cruel, cruel "Waverly!"

Oh! say not that the chain is left
That bound our hearts together,
Or that the happy days we've passed
Are gone, alas! forever;
Be generous, Oh, "Waverly!"

You loved me once, oh! love me now,
My thoughtless words forgive!
Deprived of this dear boon, I own
"Twere misery to live.
Relent, Oh, "Waverly!"

Cast not a shadow o'er our lives,
Before serenely bright,
But let forgiveness, meteor-like,
Dispense its holy light,
My noble "Waverly!"

Let bliss supreme now take the place
Of hope thou didst invoke,
For neither will unwilling be
To wear old Wymen's yoke.
Return, oh, "Waverly!"

"ROSE BRAIDWARDINE"

"Tollg. Yeolan," Nov. 30, '63.

FLECK WOMAN.—In account of the late artillery fight between the Yankees and our troops, across the Tennessee river, a correspondent of the Appeal relates the following incident:

The occupants of Craven's house are mostly females, and, although the place has been persistently shelled since the Federals opened fire, and from ten to fifteen projectiles have passed through the premises, the ladies have determined not to budge an inch; and you know the couplet—

When a woman will, she will, depend on't
And when she won't, she won't and that's
The end on't.

In this case "she won't." Yesterday while the shelling was heaviest, and our men were "skedaddling" across the line of fire as industriously as their locomotive apparatus would permit, the ladies were coolly preparing for dinner. One of the surgeons who was in the house, says that while he was there a fragment penetrated one of the rooms. Without being in the least disconcerted, the Tennessee matron spoke up in a tone very much like that in which she would reprove a servant for breaking china plate, "Eliza, go in there and see what's damaged this time."

Think of that, ye weak legged, feint-hearted owners of cordury and Confederate rags, who dodge like "dancing jimmies" every time you hear the shriek of a shell, and take pattern after this brave, undemoralized, impregnable bomb proof western mother, and don't get "frightened before you're hurt."

It is an old and true saying that if a man's neighbor speak well of him, it is sufficient recommendation to those "who have not the honor of his acquaintance." In the late Congressional canvass, the Mississippian indulged in some unjust criticisms upon the circular address of our old friend, Franklin Smith, Esq. We happened to get hold, a few days ago, of the vote of Madison county for member of Congress, which we publish below. It will be remembered that all the candidates for Congress reside in that county:

Franklin Smith 147; A. P. Hill 111;
T. C. Tupper 54; O. R. Singleton 84.

At the Canton box, where all the candidates lived, and where the history of each was well known, the vote stood thus:
Smith 67; Hill 50; Tupper 39; Singleton 34.

We publish the above vote as an act of justice to Mr. Smith, and that those "who have not the honor of an acquaintance" with him, may know that "his neighbors speak well of him" and vote for him too.—*Kosciusko Chronicle.*

THE STAY LAW.—Would it not be well for the Legislature, says the Mississippian Extra, to repeal the stay law? This law was passed when money was extremely scarce, and property very low, when it seemed that all sources of making money were shut out. Now money is abundant, and property of every species is bringing from two to ten prices.—We have never known so good a time to pay debts.

The Picayune Butler Troupe will give their second concert, at Odd Fellows' Hall, on next Wednesday evening.

Attention is called to the new advertise ments.

LATEST NEWS BY TELEGRAPH.

Longstreet falling back from Knoxville.

SATURDAY'S DISPATCHES.

CHARLESTON, 4.—Nothing new this morning, no further firing on city.

DALTON, 3d, via Mason 4.—Enemy fortifying Chickamauga, advanced their cavalry last night in considerable force to Ringgold. Our pickets withdrawn.

DAVENS, 4.—Siege of Knoxville progressing and cannonading reported as being very heavy. General Ransom is reported as having captured large ammunition train en route to Knoxville. Railroad being opened to Strawberry plains. Work on bridges progressing finely.

DALTON, 4.—Gen. Ledbetter arrived yesterday, left Knoxville last Sunday. Longstreet on same day made unsuccessful attack on Barnside of one hour's duration and retreated to Virginia.

Hooker and Sigel's corps reported advancing on Knoxville. Vaughn's forces at Loudon will probably follow Longstreet or enter North Carolina. Firing heard yesterday in the direction of Cleveland, supposed to be Wheeler's cavalry. Rumored yesterday that the enemy's cavalry advanced on Ringgold is without foundation. Lieut. Labb, and Capt. Baines, of the signal corps, deserted. They went over to enemy previous to late battle. Report of Grant's headquarters at Ringgold, incorrect.

DALTON, 4.—Latest accounts represent Longstreet with part of his command made unsuccessful attack on Knoxville. His loss small. Then raised siege and marched towards Abingdon. Gen. Bushrod Johnson had succeeded in effecting junction with Longstreet without loss of supply train as reported.

Gen. Vaughn with his command and one of Cheatham's regiments, was at Charleston, endeavoring to make his way to North Carolina. Our forces in possession of Ringgold. Nothing from the front.

ORANGE C. H., Dec. 4.—250 more prisoners received last night, that have been picked up by our cavalry, in their pursuit of the enemy. Enemy's infantry has fallen back to the Rappahannock bridge, leaving only cavalry in Culpeper county. The enemy burnt and destroyed everything in the country occupied during their stay on this side of the Rapidan, reducing nearly all the inhabitants to beggary.

RICHMOND, Dec. 4.—Northern journals of the 2d received, by flag of truce boat. Telegrams from Chattanooga of the 1st, say that Hooker and Palmer evacuated Ringgold that morning, after burning and destroying everything. No fighting since the repulse of Bragg, on the 26th. Hooker's loss between 5,000 or 6,000. Among the general officers killed and wounded in the three day's battle, are John E. Smith, Corres. Matthew, Giles A. Smith and W. S. Smith, and numerous Colonels and Majors.

Nothing later from Knoxville, except the report of Longstreet retreating to Virginia.

C. Godfrey Gunther, independent Democrat, elected Mayor, of New York by 5000 majority. A fleet of five French steamers arrived off Brazos, on the 10th of Nov.

Officers who escaped from the Ohio Penitentiary with Gen. Morgan, are Capt. J. C. Bennett, S. B. Taylor, Ralph Shelton, J. H. Hines, L. D. Hokersmith, S. T. Magee.

Ex-Governor Pratt, of Maryland will be sent South by order of General Schenck.

Gen. John H. Morgan Escaped.

Enemy's Loss 40,000.

Longstreet in possession of Northern part of Knoxville.

FRIDAY'S DISPATCHES.

RICHMOND, Dec. 3d.—Community has been in good spirits to-day at changed report of affairs consequent upon retreat of Grant's army, and recrossing Rapidan by Meade.

Some regret expressed at latter's escape, considering humiliating defeat

which awaited them, but their retreat regarded as evidence of weakness as well as timidity of enemy.

President's Message completed, said to be longer than his last message.

Flag of truce boat arrived at City Point to-day. No papers yet received, but it is reported that the Herald admits a loss of 40,000 in the various battles and skirmishes in Northern Georgia.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 3.—There has been no shelling of the city since morning.—Mortar shelling of Sumter been continued all day from Cummings and Gregg.

DAVENS, Dec. 3.—Couriers from the front state that Longstreet had carried the enemy's works of the northern portion of Knoxville, capturing two Tennessee regiments, and had demanded the surrender of the city on Monday.

PATRANSON, Dec. 3.—The N. Y. Herald of the 1st, contains telegraphic dispatch of the escape of Gen. John Morgan and six other Confederate officers from the Ohio Penitentiary. Gen. Morgan reached Toronto, Canada, on the 30th of November. The Herald says Grant's entire losses in the recent fights, in killed, wounded and missing is 40,000.

ORANGE C. H., Dec. 3.—Enemy recrossed Rapidan yesterday and during last night by Germania ford, distant 15 miles from their lines of battle on Tuesday, going towards Culpeper. The enemy began falling back about dark on Tuesday night, and were not discovered by our troops till near day in the morning. Our forces pursued and captured prisoners promiscuously reported, besides some to-day, and more that are reported as coming in. Enemy left nothing in retreat. Never brought over his whole army, consisting of five corps of infantry, numbering 60,000 men; besides artillery and cavalry. 500 prisoners certainly captured during this raid of Meade's.

The sudden fluctuations in the gold market cannot be accounted for by corresponding changes in the military situation. At present except the anxiety felt in East Tennessee, our military affairs wear as promising an aspect as they have done for some months past. Chickamauga is now regarded as a check, indeed, to our forces, but one which has cost the enemy nearly as much as ourselves. Gen. Meade, it is reported, is advancing against Gen. Lee, and the general coloring of matters in the field is cheerful. Yet gold goes up steadily. Perhaps combinations in Wall street have much to do with this sudden inflation of price; perhaps the fight which Secretary Chase is organizing against State banks has led to co-operation among these banks which has changed suddenly the gold barometer; and perhaps something of misgiving as to the ultimate result of the contest, and the action which will be instituted by the government after its termination in relation to "greenbacks," is influencing the capitalists who hold the bulk of coin in market. We have little doubt that if the Secretary of the Treasury persists in his warfare upon State banks, as was intimated by his Comptroller, Mr. McCulloch, he intended to do, the banks will prove themselves too strong for him. They can, by combination, control the gold market, and it is not probable that they will sacrifice their interests to gratify either the pride, or cupidity, or ambition, of Mr. Chase.

HARDEE.—It has been the fortune of this General, says the Savannah Republican, always to whip his share of the fight, no matter what may be the general results of the day. At Shiloh he drove the enemy to the Tennessee river, and would have drove them into it but for an unlucky order from the commander in chief to retire. At Murfreesboro, in command of our left wing, he fought one of the most terrific battles and won as brilliant a victory, as there is on record. Unfortunately the right and center did not do so well. And now again, in the Chickamauga Valley, he triumphs over the foe and captures seven stands of colors when all the rest of the army are flying in confusion from the field. He is a good man with unfortunate associations.

The question occurs: If Hardee can do so well on all occasions with a part of the army, would he not be an excellent man to put at the head of the whole.

SWIMMING.—The London ladies are taught swimming at the Marblebone baths, which are much resorted to. Some of the most active nymphs can swim half a mile without fatigue.