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WILL THEY STAND IT?

The long and increasing series of tyrannical acts committed by the President of the United States are but the natural and necessary consequences of the great original wrong perpetrated by the now oppressed people in seizing him to the office. Like the boy who found himself led into a succession of lies in attempting to screen himself from the consequences of a single slip, Lincoln is forced to subvert the free institutions of his country to avoid the alternative, or to avert it, of the disgrace and ruin of his party, his friends and himself. We do not view his criminal abuse of power as the conscious instigation of an evil mind, but as an unavoidable element of the continuance of his original unholy purpose. And we do not see how he can stop now that he is embarked in such a course. Surely as he has been led on, step by step, to the point he has now reached, will he be compelled, by the same motives, and under the same circumstances, to go on, step by step, until he will either become the Emperor, unlimited in power over a nation of enslaving vassals or a wreck in the clutches of an outraged and famished people. He has started down the hill of progress the weighty ball of unlimited power, and should he attempt to check its career, it will roll over and crush him in the attempt.

The reckless public of the Northern States have shown themselves to be guided by no settled principles, no fixed purposes, no calm determination, but are the slaves of sudden passion, frantic impulse, and unreasonable excitement. They flew into the arms of Abolitionism as a novel excitement and a vent for their sectional prejudice, and elected a President who they knew the South could not submit to with honor and safety. Next they flew into the war excitement, thinking to destroy the Confederacy in the first outburst of their rage. Several little circumstances connected with the meeting of their troops and cars, particularly one that occurred on the 25th of July, near Manassas, has worked to shut down their enthusiasm in a wonderful degree.

They find themselves led into a fatal error regarding their own power and that of the South, and yet it is a mistake that they have not the moral courage to acknowledge even to themselves. With greater rancor in their hearts than ever, they would delight in seeing the South injured or ruined by any means, but they too well appreciate the destructive qualities of Southern lead and steel to oppose their individual persons in advance upon the battle-field. In short, their frenzy and passion has subsided into a cowardly hatred, that they hold responsible for the accomplishment of their revenge to Government that they will not aid by taking to the field and furnishing it with money.

Lincoln and his advisers cannot be blind to all this. They know full well that the available populace will hold them to a cowardly account for the success of this unholy war they rushed so madly into, and they also find themselves unsupported by men and money, and see the growth of a powerful opposition among the more sensible and clear-minded of the population. They are presented the alternatives of ceasing hostilities at once, and offering to themselves up as victims to the baffled rage and revenge of the populace, of continuing the war with such resources as a fearful and shrinking nation may leave at their disposal, and thereby incurring the certainty of a double overthrow, or of grasping at unlimited power and forcing the people headlong through the contest they began. It is not surprising that Lincoln should have decided upon the last course. We would be much mistaken in the man had he shown the moral courage to adopt the first, or the want of obstinacy to take the second.

The first stepping stones to tyranny was muzzle and gag on free thought in all its forms, and to do this he had to overthrow the Constitution and the law. He is proceeding in this admirably. No squeamishness has marked his course. It has been steadily and unflinchingly progressing toward the one end in view. A Bastille was required, and it was at hand in Fort Hamilton. Banishment and penal servitude were thought politic, and there was Tortugas. There were men to be feared, and they were seized and hurried into prison without a chance of being heard, and imagined safety found reach of the strong arm. Suspects to be feared became more cautious, and a detective police had to be formed so that the whole country might be under their surveillance, and the fear of the merchant might smother the bold utterance of opposition. A free press was not to be endured, and steps were taken to abolish it. Some journals were publicly suppressed, others were given over to an instigated mob, and the balance were denied the lawful circulation of the post-office or private express.

A great deal was done, but it was not enough. Men and money were not forthcoming in sufficient numbers by foul. Forced loans and impressment were seen to be inevitable. They are already inaugurated in Missouri, and Lincoln is only waiting to perfect his national police system and crush out free speech and the independence of the press to enforce them in every Northern State. It was commenced in Missouri because so many of her people were in opposition to his tyranny that its inauguration there would not alarm the Northern masses of the grumpers for such power, and it was brought politic to bring them gradually under the yoke, by accustoming them to see other necks in it, just as a young horse is kept with others in harness that he may be less restive when it is put upon his own back.

We look upon this final measure of despotism as inevitable and near at hand, and we believe that Lincoln is but awaiting some grand expected occurrence to make it the fulcrum of his lever. In the sad improbable event of another great disaster near Washington, we look for him to "borrow a few millions" from the banks of Philadelphia, New York and Boston, on the plea of its being a temporary necessity, brought about by the national peril. We also look for him to call out the militia to do "compulsory service." The banks cannot help themselves, and will not have much sympathy from the masses; but to call out the militia to hurl them against the sacred bayonets of the victorious Southern legions, will be an act that cannot but strike directly to the trembling hearts of the people.

This will be the test of Lincoln's power. If he succeeds in it, he has gained unlimited rule. If he fails, his fall will be sudden and terrible. Timorous men will count every artillery to ensure compulsory service in the field, whose they have no confidence to say that to their duties and probable loss of life. They will refuse to obey the mandate of their sovereign, and he will have to beat them up, send soldiers into their homes, tear them from the family circles, and force them into the ranks at the point of the bayonet—compel them to meet a danger they fear by the greater fear of immediate death. Every circumstance of the fallen storm that to this length the Lincoln dynasty must come. According to the army is dead all over the North—the troops of Lincoln are are inobedience, and their ranks constantly being thinned by the "detachments for Tortugas." If the present force is defeated, as it was at Manassas, there remains for him the alternative of his own sacrifice or impeachment, and who can doubt the choice he will make? There comes a question that we will not undertake to answer—will they stand it?

BALTIMORE SISTERS OF ARMS.—On an examination was held Wednesday afternoon at the office of Justice Hiss, in the case of William Phelps, previously arrested on the charge of being engaged in the riotous assault on the 19th of April, in the Prescott street depot, on Col. Small's Pennsylvania regiment. J. C. King, Jr., appeared for the State, and Robert J. Brent acted for the defence. Three witnesses—Messrs. John Summers, Samuel J. Barton and W. A. Winn—testified to the accused being engaged in the riot. One of these observed him throwing stones at the soldiers, and another saw him kick out the heads of their drums. There were no witnesses examined on the part of the accused, the counsel waiving the right to call them. The Justice, on the evidence, decided to send the case to the Grand Jury for their action, Phelps being released on $500 security, entered into by John B. Murphy, for the appearance William Kennedy was arrested yesterday by officer Brandon on the charge of being a participant in the same riot, and was committed to jail by Justice Weber, to await a further examination. It is alleged that he was quite active in the assault, knocking the soldiers down and beating them unmercifully.—[Baltimore American.

ALL HANDS LOST.—During the hard storm of last week a schooner went down to the eastward of the lighthouse on Stratford Shoals, Connecticut, and it is reported that all hands on board were drowned.

BY TELEGRAPH.

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The War in Virginia.

The Battle in Western Virginia Confirmed—Desperate and Bloody Engagement—Colonel Tyler's Force Surrounded—and Badly Cut Up—Federal Reserve Rides Rescued—Seven Thousand Confederates Reported Engaged—A Complete Southern Victory—Confederate Loss Heavy—Nine Cannon Taken—Hundreds Their Dead.

Gallipolis, Ohio, August 29.—The battle previously reported in the Cincinnati papers as having been fought on the Kanawha, occurred at Cross Lane's, near Sommerville, on the 26th instant. The engagement was desperate and bloody.

Col. Tyler's force, nine hundred strong, was surrounded at breakfast. Two hundred of that number are missing.

After a desperate fight the Federals out flanked, and were badly cut up.

The following Federals are known to have been killed: Captain Dyer, Captain Sherriff, Captain Spading, Adjutant L. Peterson, Lieut. Wireman, Sergeant-Major Ting. The other field officers are safe.

The Confederate force is reported at 3000 strong, including 400 cavalry.

Their loss is also heavy.

From St. Louis.

St. Louis, August 29.—General Fremont has borrowed one hundred and sixty thousand dollars from the Exchange Bank.

The Provost Marshal prohibits the circulation of the papers recently presented in New York.

Inquiries have been made regarding the loyalty of the most contractors in Maryland, Kentucky and Missouri, obtaining much valuable information.

Pitching Federal Pickets.

Hagerstown, August 28.—The Federal pickets across the river between Harper's Ferry and Maryland are constantly being fired upon by the Confederates.

It is reported that an attack is threatened on Saturday at Point of Rocks.

Reports from Washington.

Washington, August 29.—Several Federals were killed and wounded in the skirmishes on the Virginia side on Tuesday.

Later from Europe.

Arrival of the Steamship Persia—Decline in Cotton.

Sandy Hook, August 28.—The Cunard Royal mail steamship Asia, with Liverpool dates, via Queenstown, to the 18th instant, has arrived.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

The prices of Cotton in Liverpool have declined 1/8d. The sales of the week embraced 48,000 bales, the market closing quiet.

Consols.

Consols closed at 90¼ to 90¾.

The Bank of England has reduced its rate to 4½ per cent.

[EIGHT DISPATCHES.]

Additional from Europe.

By Steamship Asia—Latest Commercial Intelligence—Resignation in the Italian Ministry—Affairs in Piedmont—Death of Wm. Evans Hamilton, of Canada—Further Peruvian Advices—Arrivers Not to be Made Public—Expected Fight on the Potomac—Shipwrecks, &c.

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Breadstuffs and Provisions.

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The Italian Ministry.

Two members of the Italian Ministry have resigned. Cialdini demands the appointment of their successors.

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Naples will undertake to crush out the brigand chiefs.

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A large part of the regiment was disarmed by General Sickles, and the remainder, whose conduct was somewhat better, were placed over the encampment as a guard. No persuasion could induce the men to return to their duty, and it was found that nothing but the severest measures would be of any avail. General McClellan directed Gen. Porter, the Provost Marshal, to see that discipline was enforced. General Porter ordered out the battalion of the Third Regular Infantry, two companies of cavalry, and a battery of some six or eight pieces.

The regiment was encamped on the side of a hill, which was rather sparsely wooded. The cavalry first came on the ground, and then at the companies formed on the hill top. The infantry marched past, and were drawn up on the side of the hill, the line extending to the base, and at an angle of the horsemen. The command was then given by Col Stevens to the Seventy-ninth to fall in, and was obeyed with some reluctance. The line was formed on the road at the bottom of the hill, and the regiment marched up towards Fourteenth street, with artillery flying and band playing.

A few were so intoxicated that they could not obey the orders, and they were left on the field to be arrested by the patrol. The regiment numbered one hundred and one rank in file, although the soldiers manifested a defiant and disagreeable spirit. The cavalry and infantry followed them until they arrived in Fourteenth street, where the order was given to halt.

They halted on a part of the street sparsely inhabited, and about the distance of a furlough from the encampment. Here the order to march was halted, the cavalry rode over into the meadow about fifty paces from the road, and formed in a line parallel with the road. The infantry then came up, and formed in front at right angles with the cavalry, and extending across the road into the meadow on each side. The mutinous regiment was directed to form in line on the side of the road, parallel with the cavalry. The regular battalion was then marched up the road and formed on the other side of the street, immediately opposite and facing the Seventy-ninth, while the cavalry remained in a more distant part of the meadow.

The lines having been formed, Gen. Porter and his staff, accompanied by Col. Stevens, rode up in the center. All was a moment or two of delay, as all of Gen. Porter read the orders of Gen. McClellan in a remarkably clear and distinct tone of voice. He stated that he had heard with pain and sorrow of the disorderly conduct existed among the members of the Seventy-ninth Regiment; that he had listened patiently to their alleged grievances, and, after examining them with care, was constrained to say that they were of the most frivolous character.

After time like this, when the country needed the services of her children, the exhibition of such a spirit as that manifested by the Seventy-ninth could only come from the basest motives which could actuate the soldier, and would lead to the belief that they were unfitted to be protected by non-soldiers. As a punishment he ordered that the regiment should be deprived of its colors, until, by future good behavior, and honorable services on the field of battle, they should have shown themselves worthy to bear them. The colors of the mutiny were to be placed in a wagon, and the regiment was to be ordered to fall in by company and march to the camp from which they had been ordered to march into Virginia to-day morning, and had positively refused to obey.

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After the orders had been read, General Porter said to Col. Stevens, "Point out the leaders." A squad of men were detailed from the battalion to accompany the Colonel, who went from company to company and designated the obnoxious members. They were marched to the rear of the regiment, and then to the left of the line, where they were placed under guard. This operation took some time, and it was dark before the arrest was completed. The final order was then given to wheel by sections to the column and march to the quarters in Virginia.

This was the order which they had disobeyed in the morning, and which, if again disobeyed, would have been followed by a fire from the regular infantry. There seemed to be a moment's delay, but the multitude volunteers, evidently seeing that resistance was useless, reluctantly obeyed, and took up the line of march to their quarters. The arrested leaders were taken to the guard-house, while the remainder of the regiment was escorted by the cavalry and the infantry.

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The news of this disaffection has created a deep feeling of grief among the friends of the Seventy-ninth, and a strict investigation will be instituted, (what an absurdity!) they, therefore, are legally only three months' men. According to many of the best lawyers Lafayette, Ray, and other such counties. As they are now doing, they will collect subsistence enough to last for months.

Fremont has been advised of this condition of affairs, and has been called on to assist.

The Home Guards still hold the fortifications, and are probably held the key.

Death of a Revolutionist.

Toronto, August 29.—Wm. Lyon Mackenzie, a prominent leader in the rebellion of 1837, is dead.

Arrest of Col. Strother.

Baltimore, August 29.—Private letters say that the Confederates have arrested Col. Strother, proprietor of Berkley Springs, and sent him to Richmond.

From Washington.

[Special to the New York Times.]

Washington, August 29.—The female sagacious have been placed in a conscientious dwelling. Several have been arrested besides those previously named.

[Special to the New York Commercial.]

Mrs. Greenhow, aunt of Mrs. Senator Douglas, has been arrested.

Mr. Yeatman, an old anti-slavery man, has been appointed Consul to Bristol, Eng.

Political arrests are hereafter not to be published.

Anticipated Battle Across the Potomac.

Washington, August 29.—The *Republican* of this morning says that a battle across the Potomac cannot be avoided many days longer.

U. S. Consular Appointment.

Hiles Burritt has been appointed Consul to Newcastle, Eng.

Brave Virginia.

Advices from Virginia report every thing quiet. There is strong indication of an attack within a short time.

The Confederates are in possession of Bailey's Cross Roads, bringing up their baggage from Springfield, Hampshire county, Va., four miles distant.

Another Skirmish.

[Special to the New York Times.]

Last night, about ten o'clock, Franklin's brigade and five New York regiments were ordered to advance without knapsacks, and proceed within two miles and a half of Bailey's Cross Roads, early this morning. The Confederates opened fire on them with two rifled cannon about one quarter of a mile beyond Bailey's, and a brave in the Federal pickets, and followed them half a mile.

Franklin's brigade, with three thousand Federals and five cannon, marched to a point near the Confederates and sent 800 of their number into a cornfield, only 800 yards distant from the Confederates.

From New Mexico.

St. Louis, August 29.—Advices from Santa Fe to the 16th 1720 troops from Fort Fillmore, who surrendered to three hundred Texan Rangers, were released on parole—the Texans retaining their arms, but the horses belonging to them remaining at liberated officers.

Gen. William Pelham and Col. Chaverte have been arrested by Federal authority, as being suspected of giving improper information to the Texans at Fort Bliss. Col. Chaverte took the oath and was released. Gen. Pelham refused. Col. Canby has suspended the writ of habeas corpus in New Mexico.

Fort Thorn has been burned by Canby's order. Canby is the Federal commandant of the department of New Mexico.

The Federals.

Louisville, August 29.—It is supposed that the Southern telegraph line will soon be interrupted until after the assembling of the Legislature and the Union Congressmen, proposed to be held at Frankfort, which has been selected to fix the status of the State.

Fremont has by railroad report that Hankins, an officer in Rousseau's brigade, is arrested at Bardstown. Hobitzel was formerly agent of the Adams Express Company here. The cause of his arrest is the cutting down of a tree somewhere—no old trouble.

From New York.

New York, August 29.—Wm. Patrick, a Wall street broker, has been sent to Fort Lafayette. Edw. H. Ludwig has also been sent to Fort Lafayette by the Commissioners Marshal for procuring evidence, peace, and other treasonable designs.

David Wilmot is dying from the effects of a cancer in his stomach.

The *Commercial* says that the captain of a Mobile vessel, captured by a privateer, has escaped, bringing valuable information in regard to the fortifications of Hatteras Inlet. It is also said he has guided the naval expedition against that point, with success in the reduction of the Confederate batteries.

From the Confederate Capital—Reported Whereabouts of Simeon Eades, Esquire.

Washington, August 29.—Reliable informants received here states that a report of ten Federal cavalry was shot by Southern rifles. It is supposed their object is to hand and take possession of the forts.

Confederate Sympathy.

Bloomfield, August 29.—The President signed several bills to-day, but we could not learn the nature of them.

Mr. Gilmer, of Alabama, offered a resolution, that no votes would be adopted, that the President be requested to inform Congress if he has proposed a specific reform and a reward, to be furnished and paid for out of funds placed at his disposal by contribution of members of this body, to be recommended by Col. Hewell Cobb, as a testimonial of the high esteem in which his patriotic and services are held by the members of the Confederate Congress.

Miscellaneous.

[Special to the New York Times.]

Cairo, August 29.—Capt. on the Central cars, reports that Gen. Floyd was surprised on Monday and lost twenty-five men. On the next day he went in pursuit of the enemy and captured one hundred and seventy five prisoners and thirty wagons. The number of killed and wounded is not reported.

Congress will very probably adjourn Saturday or Monday.

The arrest of Floyd's captors of the Federals and their wagons was believed at Staunton this morning, but the reports are so rife and so conflicting that even truth is often doubted, and error is credited.

Lincoln's Army Demoralized.

We have every reason to believe that Lincoln's army in Washington is thoroughly demoralized, and daily we have reports of the resolution of companies and regiments against the commanders. The three months' volunteers are all going home, and in several instances the Government have endeavored to impress them in its service for the war. The Baltimore *Republican* has the following:

There is much consternation in Washington in regard to the erection of Confederate batteries on the Potomac, which will soon effectually close up the river. Meanwhile the trouble and insubordination in the army are on the increase. A large portion of the Second Maine Regiment rebelled yesterday and refused to do duty for several hours, on the plea that they had only enlisted for three months. After extensive inducements of a bribery, supported by a strong regular force, were found necessary to bring them into measure. The Washington *Star* calls this "Gen. McClellan's firm hand," but does any one believe that this "firm hand" can strike these mad fools?

The Washington correspondent of the Baltimore *Exchange* has the following in regard to the soldiers in that city:

What will be the issue of this matter is as yet uncertain. There must be a great many regiments at Washington under the same discontented spirit. In fact, all who were accepted with reserve in previous to the passage of the act authorizing the raising of troops as the recent session, remain there against their wishes, and by force, would demoralize the army if disbanded. To discharge them is to disband nearly the entire army, after expending two hundred millions, and to commence anew.

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