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Some of the Boston papers are advancing their shoe prices, in consequence of the high prices of gold. The *Journal* and *Traveller* say that after June 1 next the *Advertiser* does not intend to.

The high prices of gold, it is said, has diminished the New York Custom House to import paper from Belgium. *Bonfort's Weekly* is printed on paper from Belgium.

Lord Palmerston's will was published on the 21st inst. It occupies but half a column. He bequeaths £10,000 to his wife, and leaves everything to his wife for life. After her decease he directs that £10,000 be given to the Rev. F. Cowper, to have the privilege of the addition of taking Lord Palmerston's family name.

The Bill Enlarging the Powers of the Freedmen's Bureau.

Below is a synopsis of this bill, which the telegraph reports as having been adopted in the Senate, where it originated. Its passage by the House may be expected:

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Section two provides for the division of the districts into sub-districts and the appointment of clerks, and authorizes the President of the United States to extend the jurisdiction and protection over all the employes, agents and other officers.

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General Grant has addressed to Mr. Secretary Seaton a report which is certainly to be a complete history of the civil war in its latest period. In this country we get no such elaborate description of events as American commentators are in the habit of compiling. Our generals address themselves to the War Office in dispatches which may be published or not at discretion, and ultimately, perhaps, reduced to the form of history; but in the United States both military and naval commanders describe their plans and justify their own operations in reports which take the shape of connected and amusing narratives. In the present instance the interest concentrates in the documents left on record by ordinary. General Grant was commander-in-chief of all the armies in the United States during the last and decisive year of the war. He have been accustomed to regard his merely as commander of the Army of the Potomac he could be selected Virginia as the scene of his personal exertions; but the fact is that the Army of Virginia was actually under the command of Meade, just as the Army of Tennessee was under the command of Sherman while Grant himself not only dictated the plan of the campaign, but exercised a direct supervision over all the armies of the Union. What reads the report, too, the more remarkable is that it expresses a new, and, as the event proved, a successful system of tactics devised for the occasion. When Grant assumed the chief command the Federal forces were making little progress nor could any body anticipate a speedy termination of the war; but the new commander adopted a new method of warfare, and the result was that in twelve months time the war was at an end. What this method was, or on what principle it was based, and how it was carried into execution is very intelligibly told.

As an "early period of the rebellion" General Grant had divined the secret of Southern strength and Northern weakness. The Federals were three to one, at least, in numbers and consequently superior in material resources, and yet the Confederates maintained their ground and defended their territories against all attacks. This, says Grant, was because the strength of the North was never exerted on a good system or with sufficient resolution. The Southern people were fighting for their all, the line of a fair, extending from east to west and covering the country behind them. By means of the railroads intersecting the interior they could bring up their forces to any point of the circumference; and so long as it was necessary for them to fight on the defensive only could they could always contrive to be stronger at that point than their adversaries. The first and most indispensable step, therefore, was to deprive them of their favorable condition by attacking at a variety of points at once, so as to retain every Southern army in its own position and prevent its from reinforcing another.

Hitherto the two main armies of the federals were in Tennessee and the other in Virginia—had been acting, as General expresses it, "like a bulky team." When one was pulling the other was backing, and so the able generals of the confederacy could shift or concentrate or relieve their forces at such a rate as to enable them to economize their strength or employ it to the greatest advantage. If Lee was hard pressed on one battle he relieved by Beauregard, if Johnson was in difficulty he could be supported from Richmond or Petersburg. Attack on both sides was impossible unless the Federals would be impregnable. But, besides all this, Gen. Grant took a bolder and more terrible view of affairs. Main for man the Southerners were the best troops, partly, perhaps, from natural aptitude, but chiefly no doubt, from the great military ability of their commanders. On a fair field, and if any one thing the federals could not possibly reckon confidently on winning; but there was one thing on which they could reckon, and that was on the superiority in number of Confederates. Of course they must suffer equal or even greater losses themselves, but that they could well afford. If every battle cost the South a certain proportion of men, a given number of battles must destroy the Southern power, even if no battle was a decisive victory. So Grant determined that he would fight, but fight without stint or stay, some what might. Hard knocks and incessant blows constituted his strategy and tactics. If he were to fave as he did, he had resolved that he would not do as McClellan and Hooker had done. He would the new campaign resolved to go on during whether he won or lost, and, as he himself says, "to hammer continuously against the armed force of the enemy and his resources until by one or the other he was worn down, there should be nothing left to him but submission. The literal execution of this policy is expressed in every line of the report. While recording the events of the Virginian campaign the General represents one engagement as virtually a failure in these words:—"It was the only general attack made from the Rapidan to the James which did not inflict upon the enemy losses to compensate for our own losses. I would not be understood as saying that the losses in this battle were greater, as our army, or accomplished as much as I had hoped from them; they inflicted upon the enemy severe losses, and contributed in the end to the overthrow of the rebellion." How much these tactics cost the North we need not say. It is said that Grant in this hour-however-however the blame for the enormous losses in Virginia, and held up before his eyes, and there is perhaps no incident which reads very like a description of events. "Whether my failure," says he, "might have been better in conception and execution is for the people who censure the loss of friends fallen, and for the country to pay the pecuniary cost, to say. All I can say is that what I have done has been done to the best of my ability, and in what I conceived to be the best interests of the whole country."

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