

raise the standard of revolt there, and aid in the execution of the project by the destruction of the railroad bridges, to prevent the reinforcement of Washington by Union troops. The repulse of Jackson, and the creation of new Departments, convinced them that no vulnerable point had been left unprotected. These sympathizers are disheartened, and are leaving by scores. Numbers have been arrested in the attempt to escape to the South.

#### THE VICTORY AT ISLAND NO. 10.

CAROLINA, April 8.—The official despatch from Col. Page says: "The enemy evacuated Island No. 10 last night. It is now occupied by Col. Buell and the 27th Illinois Regiment. Gen. Pope will capture all the enemy that remain on the highlands today."

Gen. Pope's morning attacked the enemy at Tipton, to which place they retreated from Island No. 10 and took 2,000 prisoners—mostly from Arkansas and Louisiana regiments. He will probably get as many more before night. The rebels fled to the swamp in great consternation and, before leaving the Island took several of their transports and gunboats. The *Grampus*, floating battery, mounting ten guns, floated down the river and went ashore near Point Pleasant, but will be recovered. The victory was decisive. A great quantity of stores, supplies and ammunition have fallen into our hands. All the rebel baggage and supplies are taken.

Washington, April 9.—Official despatches from Flag-officer Foote announce that 17 officers and 358 men were taken on Island No. 10. [This is independent of the number captured by Gen. Pope.]—Hasty examination of the works show 11 earthworks, 70 cannon, ranging in caliber from 32 to 100 pounds, magazines well supplied with powder; also a large quantity of shot, shell and other munitions of war, and a great quantity of provisions.

Four steamers already have fallen into our hands; two others, with the gunboat *Grampus*, which had been sunk, can be easily raised.

The enemy upon the mainland appear to have fled in great precipitation after dark on the night of the 7th, leaving, in many cases, half prepared meals.

There appears to have been no concert of action between the rebels on the Island and those occupying the shore.

Their works were created with the highest engineering skill and are of great strength, and, with natural advantages, would have been impregnable if defended by men fighting in a better cause. A combined attack of the naval and land forces was to have been made yesterday afternoon or this morning had not the rebels so hastily abandoned their stronghold.

The value of commissary stores at Island No. 10 is over \$1,000,000. 10,000 pounds of powder was found in the magazines.

On the Island were tents for 7,600 men. Six steamers captured were scattered by the rebels. Gen. Pope's command amounting to near 40,000 men, all crossed the river in the afternoon of Monday and forenoon of Tuesday.

The Island shows the terrible effect of our shells, high trees were cut down, and great excavations made. In one place a shell exploded and made a hole 12 feet deep.

Some stragglers from the rebel stampeds came to land and gave themselves up. The effect upon them is worse than a defeat in a well-fought battle. One company, a Tennessee artillery company, declare that as they are now on our side, they want to get arms.

WASHINGTON, April 8.—Stevens, from the Committee on Ways and Means, stated to the House to-day that the expenditure of the Government amounts to \$3,600,000 a day, and estimated that the National debt will amount to \$1,200,000,000 if the war was ended this season.

W. H. Polk, brother of the late ex-President, has arrived, and favours the Confiscation Bill. He expresses the opinion that such a measure would do more to make the rebel States loyal than any other that could be adopted.

Rebel sympathizers say Gen. Magruder, Lee and Huger were all at Yorktown, and express the utmost confidence of their ability to hold the position, but they admit it beaten their cause will be desperate.

April 9.—The Tax bill passed the House yesterday, 125 against 14.

The bill to prevent punishing polygamy was reported and referred.

A resolution was offered and referred that the House, with the consent of the Senate, adjourn on the 31st Monday in May. It is thought the tax bill will not be taken up in the Senate before Thursday—probabilities are it will pass substantially as it comes from the House.

APRIL 7.—The Senate Military Committee today reported a bill authorizing the President to transfer any portion or the whole of the appropriation of last February for fortifications, to the construction of iron-clad vessels of war.

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BALTIMORE, April 6.—A rebel force of 7 regiments of infantry, 2 regiments of cavalry, and 3 batteries, was thrown across the Rappahannock river. Their first intention was to cut off Col. Geary's command. Their plan was to attack Geary in two columns, cut off his retreat, and then seize Thoroughfare Gap, to prevent the reconstruction of the Manassas Gap Railroad. Their plans were frustrated by Geary being informed of their intentions. He marched his whole command during the night to Thoroughfare Gap, where he prepared for a sturdy, determined resistance. The rebels concluded not to follow them. Thoroughfare Gap station is on the Bull Run Mountain, 14 miles west of Manassas. It is a place of great importance in a military point of view.

Washington, April 7.—Despatches announce that the forces under Gen. Mitchell's command reached Shellyville, Tenn., and had been received with great enthusiasm by the inhabitants.

The steamer *Freedom*, from Liverpool Point, has arrived with some additional intelligence of the skirmish at Stafford Court House. Gen. Sibley's troops captured 47 horses, small arms and the postoffice mail.

New York, April 6.—The steamer *Atlantic* from Port Royal, with Gen. Sherman and staff on board, has arrived, with advices from Jacksonville to April 1st.

An attack was expected from two Mississippi or Florida guerrilla regiments, one battery and a troop of horse. Gen. Wright was confident of his ability to sustain himself.

A letter from Hilton Head says: A few nights since, the rebels near North Edisto, in considerable force, succeeded in cutting off almost an entire company of the 35th Pennsylvania, which was on picket duty on Little Edisto Island—3 were killed,

12 wounded and 30 taken prisoners. The rebels expected to North Edisto. They had neglected guarding the bridge between them and the main force. The enemy succeeded in forcing it and then surrounding them. Since then there has been some skirmishing, but no results.

Eighteen New York volunteers have also been captured, with a field piece, on Wadmalaw Island, Savannah river.

They were in reconnoissance without orders and were surrounded by a superior force of rebels. All the officers escaped—Tyrone remains quiet.

Tyrol, April 4.—The Yankee forces, 20,000 strong, landed at Biloxi, on Wednesday, and cut the telegraph wires between Mobile and New Orleans.

Gov. Andy Johnson has suspended the Mayor of Atlanta and Councilmen of Nashville for refusing to take the oath of allegiance. He has filled their places by appointing loyal men.

#### LATER.

Additional Particulars of the Battle at Pittsburg Landing.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—The Democrat has a special Correspondent relating to the battle of Pittsburg Landing which says, the disposition of Confederates in their attack was in the form of a letter V. The point was occupied by Prentiss' division which consisted of raw recruits, who could not withstand the shock and fall back, causing great confusion among our troops on the left. This charge would have turned our tide and captured a large portion of Prentiss' and Sherman's divisions if it had not been for the gunboats Tyler and Lexington, which beat the enemy back by firing star and shell into their ranks.

Great blame is attached to Prentiss and Sherman, who, it is said, had no scouts out, and only a very small picket guard—Information of the approach of the rebels is said to have been given those Generals by persons from the country, but it was disregarded. No preparations were made to receive the enemy.

The onset of the rebels was terrible—By 10 o'clock the whole line, from right to left, was engaged. Our line was five miles back of Pittsburg. We were driven back to the river. The slaughter was immense. The gunboats continued firing all day and night. At 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon, Gen. Buell marched to Pittsburg from Savannah; about this time a great part of his command reached the river opposite Pittsburg, and rent the air with their voices. This inspired our men who had been driven back during the day, and the tide of affairs changed. A large body of Buell's forces crossed Sunday evening and night on two transports.

Sunday night, Gen. Lew Wallace, from Camp's Landing, arrived with 19,000 men.

With this reinforcement the fight was renewed Monday morning. It raged hottest from 9 a.m. till 2 p.m., by which time a force of 40,000 men from Buell's army had crossed the river at Pittsburg.

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The gunboats kept up a heavy fire on the enemy during the night, saving the army from utter ruin. Their shells set the rebel camps on fire, and many dead rebels were burned.

At 7 p.m., firing generally ceased, and at midnight the rebels attempted to plant batteries within 300 yards of the siege guns, but were driven away by gunboats and siege guns, supported by three regiments of Gen. Mitchell's division.

Our informant persists in estimating our loss on Sunday at 3,000 killed and 5,000 wounded. During the night the rebels were reinforced by Price and Van Dorn, from Arkansas, with a very large force.

Gen. Wallace came to our aid during the night, with four regiments and a battery of artillery, and in the morning attacked the left wing of the enemy. They went into the fight in double quick time, shouting, and did terrible execution. By ten o'clock they had driven the rebels back two miles, where the latter were reinforced, and our forces were compelled to fall back.

Other divisions of Buell's army now appeared, and at once became fully engaged. For two hours all the destructive elements of earth seemed struggling for mastery on the fatal field. At last the Southern Chivalry was compelled to yield to Northern Gallantry.

The enemy broke and fled, and were pursued by Buell's cavalry, numbering 10,000.

The rebel troops were mostly from Tennessee, Texas, and Louisiana, with some Georgians and Alabamians. They fought like tigers.

Our informant says he could ride through the battle field where our troops were posted, but the dead were so thick in the enemy's lines that it was impossible to do it there. The rebels occupied our camp Sunday night, and took care of our sick and wounded, but destroyed nothing, expecting confidently to capture our entire army, and thinking the battle already won.

On Sunday Gen. McClellan's forces were surrounded by an immense force of rebels, but he cut his way through. His troops behaved with the greatest gallantry with the exception of the 5th and 3d Ohio, who were ordered to the rear in disgrace, for refusing to fight.

Taylor and Wofford's batteries supported by the 23d Illinois, and 53d and 75th Ohio, again opened the fight. These regiments formed a part of Sherman's division, and occupied the extreme right. Both the Ohio regiments ran, the 75th, without firing a gun, leaving Waterhouse entirely without support. He fought half an hour, however, retreating with three guns.

Taylor continued the fight splendidly supported by Elliott's regiments, until his support was cut off on both sides—he then retreated through a crossfire with the loss of one killed and 15 wounded. He also lost 17 horses. Meanwhile Waterhouse took a second position with his three remaining guns, supported by the 2d brigade of McClellan's division. During the afternoon, they were compelled to retire through their own encampment, with a heavy loss, into the same wood where they formed a second line of battle. An assault was made, resulting, after a most determined resistance, in the rebels being driven back through our encampment, and with them met strong reinforcements. The ammunition of our troops giving out, another brigade took their place. These, were in turn driven back by the rebels, to within a half mile of the river. Our gunboats then opened a fire, throwing shell over the heads of our troops, and covering the ground with rebels slain.

Company A Chicago Light Artillery, was so severely handled on the first day, that it could only bring three guns into the field on Monday. With these however, they succeeded in completely silencing a rebel battery of six guns, but were compelled to leave one on the field, in consequence of lack of horses to bring it off.

Taylor's battery having taken a second position, opened on the rebel batteries 800 yards distant. A splendid artillery duel now took place, resulting in silencing the rebel battery, engaged, and blowing up their caissons. Taylor's battery was then ordered to the reserve. During the afternoon several Mississippi regiments which arrived Saturday night, were brought into the fight at double quick, and were almost as speedily repulsed.

On the second day, all the batteries previously taken by the enemy, were recaptured, as well as 40 of their pieces. One Michigan battery was recaptured by the rebels.

There was more fighting over it than all other batteries in the field. It was taken and retaken three or four times. Its second capture was by Beauregard in person, who commanded three regiments. In the attack, he received a bullet wound in the arm.

In the confusion of retreat, Gen. Prentiss managed to escape and came safe into camp.

Our loss is now stated to be 10,000, and that of the rebels, 15,000.

One New Orleans regiment, the Louisiana Tigers, were almost entirely left on the field, killed or wounded. It was the intention of Beauregard to make an attack two days before, but the rebels had raised a rebellion and tried to overthrow the best government on earth, simply because they couldn't hold the office. These rebels said they were for supporting the Government provided it could be "constitutionally administered," that is, administered by Breckinridge and Lane; and now the Advertiser tells us that "we go for maintaining the Government when constitutionally understood by Dickinson, Holt, Kendall, Forney, and nine-tenths of the Northern democracy." Buchanan became constitutionally entitled to administer the Government, than those who had ruled the Government most of the time before raised a rebellion and tried to overthrow the best government on earth, simply because they couldn't hold the office. These rebels said they were for supporting the Government provided it could be "constitutionally administered," that is, administered by Breckinridge and Lane; and now the Advertiser tells us that "we go for maintaining the Government when constitutionally understood, and in no other way." This scoundrel simply means that if the pro-slavery secession democrats can administer the Government "we go" for it, and if not, "we go" for Jeff Davis who is trying to destroy it.

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