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FLORENCE CITY, May 10.

As to the aspect and condition of the diggings, you may rely upon my statements as being correct, although they may not coincide with some ill-advised bombastic statements forwarded from time to time to the public journals from this place, or from interested parties elsewhere.

lated instances, out of hundreds that might be quoted, may serve in a measure to convey to the minds of your readers some glimmerings of our melancholy condition during the cheerless and gloomy period of months in which we were locked in from the world.

BARBARITIES OF THE REBELS.—If the males could so far forget their manhood as to turn the skulls of their fallen foes into drinking cups, we are not surprised that the women should become so far metamorphosed as to desire human scalps to manufacture into shopping purses.

A REPUTATION ACHIEVED.—McClellan's name is already a household word in the mouths of the patriotic, but his merits will not have been duly weighed and his proper position assigned him until the close of the war.

Details of Eastern News. Cairo, May 15th.—Deserters who have arrived at the fleet on the Mississippi represent the rebels busily engaged in repairing the damages sustained during the naval engagement of Saturday last, (the 10th).

which until the occupation of that place by the Federals, was used in casting shot and shell and rifled cannon for the rebels, has been put in operation again by mechanics for the national service.