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The President's Proclamation.

HOW IT IS RECEIVED BY THE PRESS. The N. Y. Tribune, of the 23d, simply recapitulates, in a double headed article, the main features of the proclamation, and adds:

OUR DISPATCHES give a very important proclamation which the President has been deliberating upon for several days. It declares that upon the first day of next January the slaves in all the district which then continues in rebellion, shall be declared free, and defended in their freedom by the army and navy of the United States.

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THE PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION. [From the N. Y. Tribune, Sept. 24.] In sacred and profane poetry, the epitome of all human wisdom, there is no truth more clearly recognized than that in the lives of nations and of men there comes sometimes a precious moment, a mere point of time, on the proper use of which depends salvation for that life, whether temporal or eternal.

THE PRESIDENT'S PROCLAMATION. [From the Wheeling Intelligencer.] On the 22d of August last, the President of the United States wrote a letter to Horace Greeley, editor of the New York Tribune, in which he said:

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rebellion. And accordingly they are notified that if they continue in rebellion after the first day of January next their slaves shall be forever free. In this proclamation the President will have the warm support of the loyal States. His friends will all be united now and he will not alienate a single man whose heart is in the cause. All men have taken their sides ere this, and he who is not for the Union now will never be for it except upon grounds of policy. The President does what he proposes simply because he finds it necessary for the salvation of the Union, and with his great opportunities for knowing what is necessary, and his honest heart always to dictate to him what is right, the people will rally round him closer and closer.

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paying loyal citizens who may be deprived of slave property by acts of the United States Government the full value of such property. Is there anything needful, in this? He declares in favor of the policy of colonization, having no disposition to allow the emancipated negroes to be thrust upon unwilling communities. If the people of the United States desire to pay for the exportation of black laborers, there is no doubt the President is ready to accommodate them by securing their wishes; and he is now looking out for eligible places for colonies of emancipated negroes.

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The Terrible Disaster at the Allegheny Arsenal. The following letter, from our esteemed friend, Jos. Askew, was crowded out of our last issue: PITTSBURGH, Sept. 19, 1862. MR. EDITOR: How true it is, that "in the midst of life we are in death," and in what an awful manner this was verified on Wednesday afternoon in this vicinity. The laboratory of the Allegheny Arsenal was entirely blown to atoms by the explosion of all the combustible in it, causing the instant death of at least seventy persons, chiefly females, of various ages. The first alarm in the city was made by the fire bells, and it was generally thought by most of the citizens that there was fire somewhere in the city. But when the word came hearing the sad news, a rush was made to the scene of human destruction. May I never behold another sight; the building on fire, bodies flying in every direction, the trees that stood near by, fragments of garments were found from two to four hundred yards from where the explosion took place. My heart even now sickens while penning this short statement at so dreadful a sight. In one hour's time after the explosion, thousands had gathered to witness the scattered dead, myself making one of the number. As to the real cause of the horrible accident, I have not learned, - some say one thing, others another; but as a committee will report to-morrow I hope the true cause will be given to the public.

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Manfordville Surrendered. [From the Indianapolis Journal, 1862.] We learned last night from Adjutant Slawson of Col. Wilder's regiment - or rather of the detachment of about 200 recruits whom Col. Wilder started with to join his regiment, but had to stop at Manfordville - that after the repulse of Buckner on Sunday, the main body of Bragg's forces on Tuesday, about 10 o'clock in the morning, again attacked our army. Our forces consisted of a detachment of the 17th, the 50th, 67th, 89th, 68th, two companies of the 74th, and the Adjutant thinks the 60th, (Col. Owen's), all of Indiana, a company of Indiana cavalry, the two pieces of which he has forgotten, and ten pieces of artillery. Four pieces of artillery were in hands of our men. The fighting continued until 5 o'clock on Tuesday evening, and all parties then rested on their arms till daylight. Then it was ascertained that Gen. Polk was on the North side of the river with 3,000 men. On Tuesday night about 12 o'clock a reply was made to a flag of truce from the enemy, to which a response was made about 3 o'clock in the morning, arranging the terms of capitulation. The surrender was unconditional.

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