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The Confederate Victories.

THE BATTLES AT FREDERICKSBURG AND CHANCELLORSVILLE.

A correspondent of the Richmond Enquirer gives the following detailed and interesting account of the late battles:

I propose to give you a history of the whole fight, beginning with the crossing below Fredericksburg on Wednesday morning, April 29th, and bringing it down to the brilliant charge of Monday evening, May 4th, when the enemy were driven in confusion across the river, their mid-night cry being "retreat to Banks' ford!"

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We gather the following items from our Exchange: Grig. Gen. Ramseur's Brigade composed of the 2d, 4th, 14th and 30th N. C. Troops, was complimented by the Corps and Division Commanders to which it belongs, for the efficient service rendered by it on the 4th of May.

The Yankee prisoners admit that they were awfully beaten, but say that it was owing to the fact, which they never cease to proclaim, that they have no generals. They believe that their troops are as good as ours, but that we beat them by the superior skill of our generals.

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DEATH OF GEN. THOMAS J. JACKSON.

Last week we announced the sorrowful tidings of the death of Lieutenant-General Thomas J. Jackson, which took place at the residence of Mr. Thomas Chandler, near Guinea Station, at fifteen minutes past 3 o'clock, on Sunday evening, May 10th.

Gen. Jackson was born in the town of Clarksburg, Harrison County, Va. in the year 1825, and was the youngest of four children. His father had passed his third year his parents died. The subject of this sketch was taken by his uncle, Lewis county, where he remained until he arrived at the age of seventeen, when he was appointed a Cadet in the West Point Academy.

When the present war broke out he tendered his services to his native State, was commissioned Colonel by Gov. Letcher, and was unanimously confirmed by the Convention of Virginia, then in session. He was the first Colonel and the first man, under the provisional army of Virginia, to take command of his troops. As Colonel he commanded the forces at Harper's Ferry till the arrival of Gen. Joseph E. Johnston.

Soon after this affair Col. Jackson was made a Brigadier-General. At the first battle of Manassas he gained the sobriquet of "Stonewall," under the following circumstances:—General Bee, whose Brigade was being sorely pressed, rode up to Gen. Jackson, and said: "General, they are beating us back." The reply was, "Sir, we will give them the bayonet."

Gen. Jackson soon fell back to meet the combined forces of Fremont and Shields. This he met at Cross Keys and Port Republic on the 8th and 9th of June, when he obtained another decided victory. This, for the time, closed his operations in the Valley, and his command was ordered to join Gen. Lee, which it did in time to participate in the series of battles which delivered Richmond from the siege under which it had been laid by McClellan.

In all these battles General Jackson bore a conspicuous part, as he did subsequently at Cedar Run, Manassas Plains, Harper's Ferry, Antietam, and Fredericksburg. At Chancellorsville fate ordered that his useful career should be closed, and over his loss a bleeding country is now called to mourn.

The ENEMY'S DEPREICATIONS.—A correspondent writes from Swift Creek, Craven County, N. C., to the Raleigh Progress as follows: "Thinking you would like to hear from this section, I avail myself of a few moments to let you know how the enemy had been acting in this vicinity since Gen. Hill's siege at Washington, N. C. They have been pretty quiet down on this side of the river. They made one raid on this place, commanded by General Spinola, which consisted of Pennsylvania troops. They burnt some few store-houses on the creek. They went to an old lady's house and demanded her money and papers, which she refused to deliver, and seeing that she did not intend to give them up, they searched her person and took from her some \$100, and a gold watch that belonged to her son who had been dead for several years, and took nearly everything they could lay their polluted hands on."

But the worst of all, when they started through to Blount's Creek to relieve that mean dog, Foster, they were so mad that they, in one instance, after they were defeated, stopped at a house and wanted to know if they had any rats buried; they replied they had none. They called the lady of the house a liar, and went to the grave yard where there was a new grave and dug into it, and broke into the box and the coffin, and left it in this condition. This Mr. Editor, I can vouch for as being true, for I visited the place myself, and saw the men that filled it up after they had opened it, and they said it was certainly opened and the dead body exposed."

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FURTHER PARTICULARS.

Correspondence of the Richmond Dispatch. Let it be remembered that the distance over which the battle raged and fluctuated like a sea of fire from Wednesday morning until the Wednesday following was fifteen miles. Commencing its muffled thunders at Deep Run, its real storm broke forth above Banks' ford, and culminated in the splendid fight and triumphant victory at Chancellorsville.

The losses of the enemy.—From the best sources of intelligence at our command, we are enabled to estimate the losses of the enemy in the recent battles near Fredericksburg, at twenty thousand. Among the killed we learn are the following general officers: Brig. Gen. Seth Williams, Adj. Gen. To Hooker, and formerly Adj. Gen. to McClellan; and Brig. Generals Daniel E. Sickles, Barry, Rorer, Howard and Birney.

The bravery, fortitude and endurance of our men in all of these engagements cannot be too highly praised or too gratefully remembered by the country. It would seem invidious to make special allusions where all fought so well, but it is due to candor and truth to say that the troops of McClellan and Anderson were often engaged than any other troops, they being engaged in fighting and marching almost without intermission for rest or refreshment, from Thursday night until Tuesday morning, a period of four days and nights.

While to D. H. Hill's old division, commanded by General Rhodes, and Trimble's division, led by General Colston, Early's division, led by Early himself, and A. P. Hill's men, under their favorite leader, the country is indebted.

The cavalry, too, claim a share of this glorious work, for while the Infantry were thus being engaged, one brigade under Fitzgugh Lee met the enemy near Spotsylvania Court House and succeeded in whipping and driving back to Chancellorsville, certainly two brigades of cavalry, and, perhaps, four, killing the Colonel of the Sixth New York Cavalry and two captains, and taking some sixty prisoners.

The battle field, which reaches from Fredericksburg to a point above Wilderness, some twelve miles up from town, and out to the river, with the exception of about two miles between Salem and Zoar churches, attests the skillful aiming and deadly destruction of our artillery. The Yankee dead and wounded are strewn over the entire country. Yet had it not been one of the most thickly wooded sections of land in Virginia the Yankee loss would have been far greater.

Over this same field of battle are scattered, in immense quantities, blankets, overcoats, canteens, knapsacks, haversacks, cartridge boxes, and any quantity of rifles, muskets, and various other equipments of the soldier. Our boys, however, found but little to eat. The Yankees had well nigh devoted the commissariat, still, a good quantity of hard tack, with some good cooked meats and coffee, were found in the Yankee haversacks. We also captured some freshly slaughtered meats, and some corn and oats; all of which are quite valuable, and just the articles we needed.

Fredericksburg, on this occasion, did not suffer severely as she did before, though the Yankees managed to steal a good deal. Private houses, I believe, were in no instance entered, where the families were present, and the town was not shelled, nor were any citizens arrested or carried off in the town. A few were arrested outside, but in every instance I believe they were rescued by our own soldiery.

Hooker commanded in person at the Chancellorsville fight, and occupied a position near that place during the fight. Hooker has made a good fight. He has manoeuvred well, and done better than any other Yankee general; but Hooker is not the equal of our commander-in-chief. Gen. Lee, during the fight, has displayed the highest qualities of an able and successful commander. To him the country is indebted for the most wonderful qualities of the soldier and tactician. He has so manoeuvred and combined as to surround the Yankees twice, and drive them back to the river, when they supposed, on both occasions, that they had gotten into his rear, and were about to surprise him, whilst Gen. Jackson has outdone himself, and exhibited the highest characteristics of a strategist and skillful general, fully confirming all his past renown, and adding new laurels to his many already won in the service of his country.

Our losses are fully 5,000, whilst that of the Yankees are confessed to be fully 25,000, and about thirty pieces of artillery. We have captured very near 8,000 prisoners, and have lost, I suppose, about 1,000 prisoners. These results of the fight point most conclusively to a most brilliant Confederate victory.

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