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Twenty-five years have rolled by since the desperate struggle occurred. On the 6th and 7th of April, 1862, broke down the chief barrier to the Mississippi valley and paved the way for the occupation by the nation's forces of every important point between Memphis and New Orleans.

THE FIELD OF SHILOH.

Before referring to the above map for more exact details of positions and localities, the reader will be assisted by learning in mind the figure of a quadrilateral or parallelogram, the right side of which is the Tennessee river flowing nearly due north, the upper or northern side being the line of the river or south side of the river.

A RETROSPECT.

Missouri having been secured to the Union, the principal field of activity was transferred to Kentucky and Tennessee, and Maj. Gen. Halleck placed in chief command all the troops in the valley of the Mississippi, with headquarters at St. Louis.

THE FIRST ORDER.

The first movement that would suggest itself to the mind of Gen. Halleck was an expedition from Tennessee, from which "strong" light parties might be sent to the Kentucky and Ohio rivers, cutting off the communication between the two States.

Such was the first important order issued in the Shiloh campaign. Gen. Sherman was sent to execute it and the result of the expedition was a complete success. The expedition was commanded by Brig. Gen. W. H. Wallace.

FACE TO FACE.

The relative positions of the two armies at this time were as follows: The Federal army was on the left, Owl creek, a branch of Snake creek, on the right, facing nearly south, and possibly a little west.

THE BATTLE.

Staver's brigade of Hindman's division first crossed lines with that of Pretorius, while Gen. Hindman in person with Wood's brigade, struck the Fifty-first Ohio, Col. Apple, the extreme left of Sherman's line, which was the main body of the Federal army.

M'CLENNAND'S WORK.

In this affair, the Sixth Mississippi alone lost 100 killed and wounded out of 425 men. Meanwhile, M'Clellan had rapidly got under cover and was watching the progress of the battle with a keen eye.

GETTING INTO LINE.

The war department having, on the 11th of March, authorized the consolidation of the army of Gen. Bell with that of Halleck, the former was ordered to march his forces at once to Savannah, which was the point of rendezvous for the Tennessee.

CONCENTRATING AT CORINTH.

In four weeks after the evacuation of the Confederate positions in Tennessee, Kentucky, and Missouri, Gen. Halleck, with the army of 110,000 men, was concentrated at Corinth, Mississippi.

FEELING THE WAY.

Events now began to move heavily. Gen. Smith, with a portion of the expedition, having arrived on the 18th, Gen. Sherman was ordered to land at Memphis and Charleston railroad bridge.

THE HORNE'S NEST.

Only a part of the story of the attack on Pretorius has been told. After retreating through his camp in the morning, the new position he occupied was the strongest of the day. His left was the southern end of a ravine, thence his right extended along an oval washed out road running north to the Corinth road.

THE END OF THE FIRST DAY.

The scene around Pittsburg Landing at this hour is indescribable. Everywhere Gen. Grant arrived at 10 o'clock in the morning, the panic-stricken stragglers might have been counted by thousands.

NIGHT.

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