

THE WAR IN MISSOURI.

Success of Gen. Blunt's Expedition.

FORT LEAVENWORTH, August 25.—To the Hon. E. M. STANTON, Secretary of War:—Major CHAMPION VAUGHAN, of General BLUNT'S Staff, has arrived at these head-quarters with despatches. Gen. BLUNT marched with fifteen hundred men, from Fort Scott, August 17th, and followed the Rebels as far south as Lone Jack. The enemy declined an engagement and commenced a retreat. They were hotly pursued by General BLUNT, and driven in with confusion across the Osage, with the loss of all their transportation and equipments, besides numerous arms, prisoners, etc.

It is understood that the expedition saved the Missouri towns and the Western border from devastation, besides striking terror into the hearts of the enemy as far as the Arkansas line. Gen. BLUNT'S column returned to Fort Scott on the 22d, having marched nearly three hundred miles in six days. Col. CLOUD was left to continue the pursuit. It is not improbable that the main body of the Rebels will be forced to surrender.

(Signed.) JAMES M. GRAHAM, A. A. Gen.

GREENVILLE, Mo., Aug. 25.—Major LEFFERT, of the First Battalion of the Thirteenth Illinois Cavalry, with 130 men, attacked a body of guerrillas 350 strong, under HICKS, thirty-six miles beyond Bloomfield. The guerrillas were totally routed, twenty of them killed, three times as many wounded and a number taken prisoners. Sixty horses seventy stand of arms and all their camp equipage captured.

The survivors scattered in all directions, and will not probably again reorganize. The affair was a complete success for Major LEFFERT, and little more trouble need be apprehended from HICKS' band.

The reports from all deserters are encouraging. Wherever secreted, the guerrillas are speedily hunted out and vigorously dealt with.