

ble for its unusual severity : surely, the expedition was a most wonderful one, and the fame of those men who were engaged in it, must and ever will shine upon history's brightest page.

In the following Journal, which appears now, for the first time, in an independent form, will be found a daily record of events occurring during that memorable campaign. The interest of the subject is in no degree lost by the lapse of time. By the historical student it will ever be appreciated, and the patriotic American will always recur to that brilliant exploit, with feelings of pride and admiration.

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