The balloons advanced with the army to the front of Shiloh, and, receiving the army in the field on the 6th of May, succeeded in sending the long-looked-for intelligence of the Union victory, and the capture of the enemy's works. The information obtained by the balloonists was of the greatest value to the commanders on the field, and the principles adopted in the service were afterwards adopted and improved by the military in the operations of the war. The balloonists were thus enabled to render important services, and the significance of the event was recognized by the establishment of the Aero Club of America, with headquarters at the foot of the Washington Monument, in 1863.