



ALTOONA, PA.

THURSDAY, JUNE 5, 1862.

People's Union County Convention of Blair County.

The people of Blair county in favor of sustaining the present National and State Administrations...

The delegates meeting to be held the Saturday forenoon in the Boroughs between the hours of 7 and 9 o'clock P. M., and in the Township between the hours of 6 and 7 o'clock P. M.

Major General N. P. Banks.

Everywhere through the whole country, the press and the people speak in the highest praise of the gallant and skillful manner in which that gentleman, whose name heads this article, conducted the retreat of the small band of patriots under him...

Gen. Banks has often been given evidence of true greatness. A self-made man, he is endowed with a practical and common sense mind that peculiarly fits him for a leader.

The editor of the "W" has a long article abusing Samuel Lemon, James M. Cooper & Co., and Watson, Dennison & Co., coal merchants and shippers of Hollidaysburg...

THE LIGHT DRAGONS.—From Corinth, in the South-West, to Richmond in the South-East—everywhere—in the past few days, comes up glorious news of the success of our brave defenders...

Hon. THOMAS A. SCOTT.—This gentleman has been unanimously re-elected Vice President of the Pennsylvania Rail Road, and assumed the honorable and responsible duties of that office on Monday last.

DEATH OF HON. S. S. WHARTON.—We regret to announce the death of Hon. S. S. Wharton, Secretary of the War Department...

Beauregard's Official Report of the Battle of Shiloh.

We publish in to-day's issue the official report of General Beauregard of the late bloody and desperate fight near Pittsburg Landing, on the 6th and 7th of April last.

The paper was prepared by him, and presented for the adoption of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, (Old School), of which he was a member...

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I deeply regret to record, also, the death of Hon. Geo. M. Johnson, Provisional Governor of Kentucky, who went into action with the 2d Kentucky troops and continually inspired them by his words and example.

Another gallant soldier and Captain was lost in the service of the country when Brig. Gen. Johnston, commanding 1st Brigade, Withers' Division, 3d Army Corps, died from a severe wound received on the 5th inst., after having been conspicuous in his Major Corps and the army for courage and patriotism.

Brigadier-General Clark, commanding First Division of the First Corps, received a severe wound also, on the first day, which will deprive the army of his valuable services for some time.

Brigadier-General Hindman, engaged in the course of the battle, was conspicuous for cool courage, efficiently employed in leading his men over the thickest of the fray's mounds on Monday...

Brig. Gens. B. R. Johnson and Bowen, most distinguished officers, were severely wounded in the first combat, but it is hoped soon to be returned to duty with their brigades.

To mention the many field officers who died in the battle would be gallantly leading their commands into action, and the many brilliant instances of individual heroism, would require a volume...

From this agreeable duty I turn to one in the highest degree unpleasant—one I owe, however, to the brave men under me, as a commander, the honor of my country, and the honor of my army.

It remains to state that our loss in the two days of the killed outright was 1,728, wounded 8,012, missing 3,548, making an aggregate of casualties of 13,288.

This sad list tells in simple language of the stout fight made by our countrymen in front of the rude chapel at Shiloh, especially when it is known that on Monday, from exhaustion and other causes, not a few of our men on our side could be brought into action.

Of the losses of the enemy we have no exact knowledge. Their newspapers report it as very heavy. Unquestionably it was greater, even in proportion to their own, on both days, for it is apparent to all that their dead left on the field outnumbered ours two to one.

Their casualties, therefore, cannot have fallen many short of 20,000 in killed, wounded, prisoners and missing.

Through information derived from many sources, including the newspapers of the enemy, it is ascertained on Sunday the Divisions of Gens. Prentiss, Sherman, Hurlbut, McClelland, and Smith, of 3,000 men each, or at least 45,000 men, were reinforced on Sunday night by the divisions of Gens. Nelson, McCook, Critchfield, and Thomas, of Major-Gen. Buell's army, some 20,000 strong, including all arms.

Gen. Grant's division, Gen. Grant's army, making a total of 33,000 men, were reinforced on Sunday night, amounting to over 20,000, making an aggregate force of some 53,000 men at least, arrayed against us on that day.

In connection with the results of the battle, I should state that the most of our men exchanged their inferior arms for the improved arms of the enemy. Also, that most of the property, public and personal, in the camp from which the enemy was driven, was destroyed, except such as was necessary to prevent an escape.

I have the honor to be, General, your obedient servant. G. T. BEAUREGARD, General Commanding. To Gen. S. Cooper, Adjutant and Inspector General, C. S. A., Richmond, Va.

Liability of Persons Making Arrests.—Magistrates and police officers have often been uncertain of their liability to arrest a party on mere suspicion, well-founded though it may be, having committed a felony, without a warrant.

THE 115th REGIMENT, P. V.—This is commanded by Col. Patterson, is to be sent from Camden, N. J., to Camp Curtin, in view of completing its organization by the close of the present season.

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LOCAL ITEMS

STEARNS FLOWERS.—What!—stealing flowers? Well, that's a great subject for a local item, but we can't help it, although it does speak the morals of some of our citizens.

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