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LATEST FROM WASHINGTON.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14, 1861.

General Fremont.

The correspondent of the New York *Tribune* says:

Official advices have been received here to the effect that the Secretary of War returned to St. Louis last night from his visit to Gen. Fremont. Rumors followed him that, while at Tipton, he delivered to Gen. Fremont an order from Gen. Scott directing him to surrender his command to the officer next to him in authority, namely, to Maj. Gen. Hunter, and to report by letter to Washington. But the rumor is not well founded. When the Cabinet is fully advised of the facts of Gen. Fremont's military administration, final action upon his case will promptly be taken. Gen. Fremont has 40,000 men in and around Tipton. He cannot move them, though, for want of transportation and provisions. With his entire command he has 70,000 troops.

Before leaving St. Louis this morning, the Secretary of War, by letter, ordered General Fremont to discontinue, as unnecessary, his field works around the city, and that which he is erecting at Jefferson City; to suspend work on the barracks he is building near his residence for his body guard of 300 cavalry, and ordered him to employ all the money in the hands of the disbursing officers to the payment of the current expenses of his army in Missouri, and to let all his debts in St. Louis, amounting to $4,500,000, remain unpaid until they can be properly examined and sent to Washington for settlement. He also ordered that the disbursing officers should disburse their funds and not transfer them to irresponsible agents, persons who do not hold commissions from the President, and are not under bonds; and he further ordered that hereafter all contracts necessary to be made, be made by the regular disbursing officer of the army. General Fremont was also informed that payment would not be made to officers appointed by him. It is said there are over two hundred of them whose commissions do not bear the President's signature, and that Paymaster Andrews had been verbally instructed not to make such payments. Special exception was made in favor of officers of volunteers. The number of forts planned by General Fremont for the defence of St. Louis is eleven.

The Army To-day.

There is no movement of importance to-day, and the troops are busy fortifying themselves in their advanced positions. The army was visited yesterday by many of the leading men of the nation, and by a number of foreigners of distinction. Dr. Russell, of the London *Times*, was over, and, like many others, was in full anticipation that something was about to turn up, upon which to predicate a readable letter to the Thunderer. He spent an hour with General McDowall, in the observatory recently erected upon Senator Upton's house. Visitors, however, returned without witnessing any movement of the army. Rumors continued to pass current through the city yesterday that the armies were in conflict, until the *Chronicle*, at four p. m., issued an "Extra," containing reliable information that all was quiet, upon the perusal of which inquiry abated, and the community slept easy.

The Recent Movement by the Rebels.

The chief reason which led military men to believe that the Rebels meant to make a general attack on Saturday was that they planted a siege gun on a hill opposite our batteries. It is rare for siege guns to be brought to the front, unless with the design of seriously assaulting the positions of an enemy. Field pieces alone are generally used in reconnoissances. There has been no sign from the rebels since. The woods on and near Miner's Hill were cut off to-day, so as to give range to our artillery. This movement is thought to be equivalent to an advance of two miles.

Skirts Along the Union Lines—Sharp Skirmishing with a body of Rebel Infantry.

One of the *Herald* correspondents rode along the Union lines to-day, returning in the evening, and found the different divisions in a state of perfect preparation, and order prevailing throughout the various encampments.

This afternoon, soon after five o'clock, a small detachment of rebel infantry and a squad of rebel cavalry appeared in view, around a house occupied by a widow Childs, about three miles from Miner's Hill. A body of our troops who were out on a foraging expedition advanced upon them. A sharp skirmish immediately took place, and for a time the firing was concealed from both sides, when the rebels were driven from the house. In the skirmish one of our men was wounded. It was impossible to learn the loss on the rebel side. It was subsequently observed that a number had scorched themselves in the outbuildings, but after the firing of the first shell from Miner's Hill they scampered away along the Leesburg turnpike, and did not make their appearance again during the remainder of the evening.

Stirring Events at Hand.

The excitement and anxiety which prevailed yesterday and the day before has gradually passed away, and the city to-day, outside of the movements of the soldiery, presents a quiet appearance. Everything, however, betokens stirring events at hand. Before to-morrow night, it is expected that our forages will be strongly intrenched at Fairfax and Centreville. A strong reconnoissance was made this morning, from the neighborhood of Lewinsville. It is not believed that the rebels will make a stand at either place, but that they will retreat, as they did from Munson's Hill. It is more than probable that the next great blow will be struck on the old battle ground at Bull Run. One thing can be depended upon, that Gen. McClellan is determined that there shall be no retreat or backward movement.

The Intervention Against Mexico.

The intimation of the London *Times* that the President has given consent to the projected expedition of England, France, and Spain against Mexico is unfounded in fact. If our Government has taken any steps in the matter, which is doubtful, they were simply in the nature of an inquiry whether the integrity and independence of Mexico were menaced. We are in possession of no data for further action. Some of our Ministers mention rumors, but the dispatches of none contain anything definite on the subject. Nor do those of the English, French, or Spanish Ministers here, from which it is inferred that no definite arrangement has yet been entered into. The foreign journals indicate something, and some shrewd observers, of course, of foreign politics believe that France is not in earnest, and that the whole thing will end in smoke.

A Rebel Communication Broken.

One of the few remaining sources through which information of movements of our army has been conveyed to Rebels, was discovered to-day, through the medium of letters intercepted at the Post-Office Department. The parties are citizens of Maryland, and have been checked in their efforts to give conspirators details of our naval expeditions. They will probably be removed out of harm's way in the morning.

Mrs. Jackson Released.

Mrs. Jackson, the mother of Ellsworth's murderer, was released, to-day, upon her taking a stringent oath of allegiance. She stated that she had always been loyal to the Government, though she admitted that she had harbored another son, a rebel, at her house, so long as he deemed it safe to visit her. She is an old lady, being over seventy years of age.

Death of Walter Jones.

Walter Jones, who for over half a century has been an eminent lawyer of this city, died at the residence of his son-in-law, Dr. Miller, this morning. He was in his 85th year. In the Randolph Will case, Steinberger against the United States Bank, and other famous trials, he was the prominent counsel.

Sickness in the Camps.

Among the camps immediately on the line of the Potomac there is much complaint of fever and ague, typhoid and intermittent fevers. They mostly yield to medica. treatment. If the friends of the volunteers in Philadelphia would send them quinine, and such medicines as are useful in fevers, they would be of more service than cakes and pies, and such trippery, which are of no benefit to the soldier. Flannel undershirts and woolen socks are in great demand among the Pennsylvania troops. Packages of such articles will reach them if addressed to the Colonels of the different regiments, or to Gen. McCall's division, which consists of thirteen thousand sturdy Pennsylvanians, who are now encamped a few miles the other side of the Chain Bridge.

Rebel Ingratitude.

I hope the following case of ingratitude has few parallels: A soldier called wet, weary, and hungry, at the house of Henry Kernoll, a farmer in Fairfax county, Virginia, and asked to be sheltered from the storm. It was a few days after the Bull Run affair. The farmer took him in. The soldier said he belonged to the Union army, and showed the Union army uniform to corroborate his statement. The farmer fed and warmed him, and taking him his parlor, where he could more securely conceal him, in case his house might be visited by the rebels. After receiving the farmer's hospitalities, the soldier said he would go to the barn, where he could better conceal himself from the rebels. From there he disappeared, and not long after the farmer was arrested and carried to Manassas Gap, where the soldier, who proved to be a spy, appeared before him, and, at a mock trial, swore to a tissue of falsehoods. He was the cause of the old man's arrest and ruin. After being detained several weeks, the farmer was sent to Richmond and incarcerated in the common jail, a filthy hole. He was released a few days ago, and reached Washington Saturday night.

Distribution of Warm Clothing.

Gen. Van Vliet, of the Quartermaster's Department, is assiduously engaged in the business of providing overcoats and blankets for the troops. As these articles are from time to time received, they are rapidly distributed by Captain Thomas, of the Clothing Department. The contractors in northern cities do not furnish the supplies as expeditiously as the wants of the soldiers require, it being the purpose of the Government to allow none to cross the river unless they are comfortably clad.

Promotions.

Applications from regular officers for the promotion of non-commissioned officers and men in their companies or regiments are very frequent and generally granted—a fact which should quicken enlistment. However it may have been formerly, promotions in the regular service are now rapid and sure.

Welcome to Thomas B. Clay.

Thomas B. Clay, of Kentucky, eldest son of Henry Clay, arrived in the city this morning. He was warmly welcomed by the President and prominent citizens of the District. He expresses confidence in the ultimate success of the Union army, and believes Kentucky can never be forced to succumb to traitors.

Increase of Gen. McClellan's Family.

General McClellan received a dispatch from Cincinnati yesterday, where his wife has been residing since he has been in command of this department, announcing to him the fact that on yesterday morning there was born unto him a daughter. This event not only makes Gen. McClellan a father, but his Inspector General, General Marcy, a grandfather.

From Western Missouri.

The Chicago *Tribune* compiles from a batch of letters from Kansas City the following, giving some very interesting intelligence of the situation of affairs in Western Missouri:

Gens. Lane and Sturgis, the latter in command, left Kansas City on Friday last, by order of Gen. Sigel, with about six thousand men, for the south-east, with the intention, if possible, of making a junction with Sigel at or near the crossing of the Osage, for the purpose of cutting off Price. The rebel leader was supposed to be in the south-east corner of Bates county—(Bates county adjoins Kansas, and the particular locality in which Price was heard from is probably sixty five miles from Kansas City,)—unquestionably on the road to Fort Scott, just over the Kansas border. If the accounts of his whereabouts on Wednesday last are correct, he has two days in time, and sixty odd miles in distance, the start of his pursuers. A few miles ahead of him is the Osage, now greatly swollen by the recent rains; but at Papinsville, sixteen miles from his last known camp, is or was a bridge. It is said that this was destroyed by Gen. Raine, in one of his raids in that quarter; but it may have been rebuilt. If so, the crossing will be easy; and on the south side, by burning the bridge, he may bid fair Gen. Sigel defiance, and march either to Fort Scott or Arkansas at his leisure. The two ferries in the vicinity—one above, and the other a few miles below Papinsville—he will probably use and destroy. Fording, in the present stage of water, is out of the question. At Fort Scott, there is only one regiment—Col. Judson's Home Guards—of course not enough to offer any effectual resistance. Luckily the considerable amount of Government stores lately at the fort, (the fort, by the way, is only a temporary defense against Indians,) now at Lane's camp, which time since, to Creek Camp Lincoln, a place of greater security, on the Little Osage, fourteen miles northwest. At the camp are only two companies, but they are well intrenched. Reinforced by the Home Guards at the fort, they may be able to hold out until Sigel reaches them. It is not probable, however, that Price will wait an attack. His object is to put as many miles between himself and the Federal army as he possibly can and in the shortest possible time. As soon as his scouts tell him of the approach of Lane and Sigel, his course will be as near a bee-line for Arkansas as the roads will permit.

Now if the above is reliable, he will make his escape. Possibly we are misinformed as to Sigel's whereabouts; but if his movement was to be timed by Lane's, we may pronounce the game at an end, unless Price is caught by a flood in the Osage, and finds no bridge ready for his transit; in that event, the pursuers may come up with him, and if they do, his fate is certain.

We trust that there is some mistake as to the intelligence concerning Sigel; but of the date of the departure of Sturgis and Lane there can be no doubt. Lane was certainly at Leavenworth on Thursday, where he made a speech. It is hard to believe that Price has got off, when we remember the resources in the hands of the Commander of the Department; but unless our latest advices are contradicted, we can come to no other conclusion.

From Cairo.

The special correspondent of the Chicago *Tribune* telegraphs from that point on the 14th instant:

A brisk fight took place at 2 o'clock this afternoon, between 26 Centralia cavalry men, Lieutenant Tafts commanding, and about 150 mounted rebels, at Underwood's, near Beck's with's farm, and 7 miles south of Bird's Point. The parties met in a lane, and exchanged eight rounds, the rebels being partly under cover of trees. At the first rebel fire, H. H. Fletcher, of Centralia, was shot dead. The Centralia boys fought till their ammunition was gone, and then, in the face of overpowering numbers, and an attempt to surround them, they fell back to camp. Six Federals were wounded, many making narrow escapes from death. Five had horses shot from under them and escaped into the cornfield. Many horses were wounded. The rebel Captain was killed, one of our boys taking deliberate aim and bringing him. The rebels were armed with short, breech-loading guns, evidently not shot, but of the cavalry stamp. Lieutenant Tufts says his men fought with "reckless bravery," and only retreated when their ammunition was gone, and they in danger of being surrounded. Some marvellous escapes were made; the clothes of many of our boys being riddled with balls. The eyebrows of one Federal were nicely clipped by a bullet.

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Real Estate (present value $103,216 61) cost	102,965
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Notes and Bills receivable	1,431
Cash	27,919
	$2,123,561