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CITY AFFAIRS.

METEOROLOGICAL Observations for the *Gazette*, by G. E. Shaw, Optician, 58 Fifth street—corrected daily:

	IN SUN.	IN SHADE.
9 o'clock, A. M.	00	50
12 " M.	44	44
3 " P. M.		44
Barometer		29 3.10

The "Roundhead" Regiment in the Naval Expedition.

The great naval expedition fitting out at Annapolis, and a portion of which has already reached Fortress Monroe, will contain among its land forces the celebrated "Roundhead" Regiment, Col. Leasure, which is composed of sterling men from Lawrence, Beaver, Washington, Mercer, and Allegheny counties. Rev. R. Audley Browne, of New Castle, Chaplain of the regiment, writes under date of the 17th inst., an interesting letter to the *United Presbyterian*, from Annapolis, where the regiment was then stationed. We extract as follows:

"When I left our regiment to attend the meeting of Synod they were encamped on Kalorama Heights, overlooking Washington City. Shortly after I parted from you and other dear brethren of the Synod, I received in New Castle a letter of such a kind as is calculated to stir the slowest blood that flows in the army—namely, that our "Roundhead Regiment" had been attached to an important expedition, which had been ordered to rendezvous at this place at once, upon an enterprise whose destination was unknown, but which was full of peril and of honor."

The writer then describes his hasty trip to Annapolis, which he reached two days in advance of the regiment—and continues:

"These two days afforded a delightful opportunity to study this old place, which is quite a mine of colonial and revolutionary antiquities. The city itself only contains about 5,000 inhabitants, but it has many buildings that are interesting for their associations. Chief of these is the State House. In the Senate Chamber of this building (Congress then sitting here) Washington resigned his commission. We were permitted to stand on the spot where the patriot stood in this greatest act of his life. A large oil painting commemorative of the scene hanging on the adjoining wall enabled us to realize the event. The room is small for a legislative council chamber, but valuable indeed for its associations."

The scenery in and around Annapolis is then graphically described, and the letter closes as follows:

"Good health and spirits generally prevail. One of our number, a good man, who was very ill in the hospital when I met the regiment here, has fought the good fight and finished his course and gone up higher. His name was Wm. S. Sample. He was a member of the U. P. Church at Greenfield, Mercer county, Pa. We buried him last evening in a delightful resting-place for the body of a wearied soldier, near Annapolis. We have but few sick at present. Our dead, so far, are Samuel P. Reing, of Upper Buffalo, Washington county, Pa., and Wm. H. Walker, of same company, Capt. Templeton's. The former died in Columbia College Hospital, near our camp, and the other in our tent hospital, in camp on Kalorama Heights.

"There is an earnest religious sentiment pervading our camp. The conduct of the men is excellent. Our religious exercises are well observed. When we embark, we know not. May the prayers of God's people follow us."

A Blind Man Marries Three Blind Girls.

The Cleveland *Leader* states that on Thursday evening officer J. T. Smalley, of Zanesville, brought to Cleveland a man named Thos. Bishop, blind, charged with marrying three women, also blind, since the 10th of September last. On the 10th of September he was married at the American House, Cleveland, by Esquire Foljambe to a lady of Huron, Erie county, at which time he assumed the name of Wm. Gibson. Seven days after, assuming the name of Gibson, he married a young lady of Cleveland, Rev. Dr. Starkey, of that city, officiating. On the next day, September 18th, he left Cleveland, taking with him all the clothes and valuables of both ladies. From the first he obtained over two hundred dollars in money, jewelry, clothing, etc. From the second he took forty cents in money, a gold ring, and valuable articles of wearing apparel.

After leaving Cleveland, he proceeded to Marietta, where, under the *alias* of August Cooke, he succeeded in again being "united in the holy bonds of wedlock." Here he enjoyed a honeymoon of four days, when, taking the lady's wardrobe, he suddenly disappeared. He was pursued, and after being tracked to Columbus, Parkersburg, and other points, was arrested at the house of his mother at Mount Sterling, near Zanesville, at which point he had formerly resided, and where he had buried a wife but a few days before his marriage at Cleveland. With his neighbors at Mount Sterling he has a bad reputation, being charged with dishonesty in various forms.

Bishop is a graduate of the Ohio State Institute for the Blind, at Columbus, as are all of the ladies whom he has succeeded in duping, and there he made their acquaintance a few years since. The ladies are represented as of unimpeachable character, and are deeply sympathized with in their misfortune.

Upon being arraigned before Justice Foljambe, on Friday morning, the accused waived an examination. Bail was fixed at $1,500, in default of which he was committed to jail.

It is rumored that Bishop has a wife and child living in Cincinnati, but this does not appear to be definitely ascertained.

A Prodigy Coming.

Meredith Holland, one of the most remarkable mental calculators ever known, (but in other respects altogether deficient in education or ordinary intelligence) will arrive here from Philadelphia about the first of November, for the purpose of picking up dimes from the curious. He is no humbug, but possesses the power of mental calculation in a most extraordinary degree. For instance, if you give him the date of your birth, he will instantly tell you the number of years, months, weeks, days, minutes and seconds which you have lived, and also the day of the week on which you were born! He has possessed this power since his youth, but has made no progress in it, and is unable to explain the method by which he arrives at his conclusions. He computes interest for any given time, at any fractional rate, with scarcely an effort, and resolves the most difficult mathematical problems with great facility. He was born in Monroe county, Ky., near the Tennessee line, and his parents are natives of Virginia. He has an eccentric mode of advertising—writes a sort of hand bill on foolscap, and has it pasted in some conspicuous place. One of these bills can be seen at our office door.

Bank Note Quotations.

Corrected especially for the *Gazette* by Messrs. Feld & Lare, of the *National Bank Note Reporter*. Rates uncertain at present:

PITTSBURGH, Oct. 22, 1861.

	Discount		Discount
New Eng. States	¼	S. Carolina	no sale
N. York State	¼	Georgia	no sale
N. York City	par	Alabama	no sale
N. Jersey	¼	Louisiana	no sale
Penna. (Phila.)	par	Kentucky	1
" (Pittsb'g)	par	Tennessee	no sale
" (Inter'nav't'n)	1@1½	Ohio	½
Delaware	¼	Indiana, free	2
Dist. of Columbia	¼	" b'k of State	½
Maryland, Balt.	¼	Illinois	no sale
" Interior	1	Wisconsin	no sale
Virginia		Iowa	2
(Wheeling & bridg)	6 to 8	Michigan	2
" (general)	no sale	Missouri	15 to 25
North Carolina	no sale	Canada	2

Exchange—Selling rates on New York and Philadelphia, ¼ per cent over par funds

DROWNED.—On Tuesday a middle aged man named John Clark was drowned in the Ohio river, opposite the marine railway. He was engaged in repairing the wheel of the steamer Gray Eagle, lying at the railway, and about two o'clock accidentally fell off, passed under a barge lying below, and drowned. The body was recovered at a late hour yesterday evening. Deceased was a married man and leaves a family of three children. Coroner Boatwick held an inquest, and the jury rendered a verdict of accidental drowning.

SALE OF STOCKS.—At the sale of stocks at Auction, Wednesday, sales were made as follow:

Bank of Pittsburgh	$61 00
Merchants and Manufactures Bank	49 00
Allegheny Bank	47 00
do do	48 25
do do	18 50

THE MARSHALL GUARDS, recently organized in Allegheny, by Capt. Calhoun, will soon embrace the requisite number of men, and they expect to join their regiment (Col. Biggs's) in a few days. Capt. Calhoun is an experienced officer, having served in the Mexican war, and also in the three months' campaign.

Life in a Missouri Camp.

JOHNAH CONLEY, Jr.—we give his name, because he has many personal friends in this city who will be pleased to hear from him—who is a member of the 31st Illinois Regiment, writes to his father from Ironton. We give some extracts:

"I received the nice lot of paper and envelope which you sent me with much gratification; but it was short; for, after using a few sheets, the rest was stolen.

[It may be well to state that friends at home can send blank paper and envelops to their soldier friends in out-of-the-way stations, by mail, for one cent per ounce.]

"Apart from being kept rather too busy while off picket, I am in clover here. Ironton is as brisk a little town as there is in the State, well built, and peopled mostly from the East. We have lately moved our Camp, and are now on dry, sloping ground, close to water. The country around is a great fruit region, and the farmers trade us fruit and vegetables for our extra provisions. Then while on picket I can get any amount of grapes, pawpaws, persimmons, &c., so that I am always eager to go, more especially because I thereby get clear of working on the fort, which is an everlasting job. It is a regular bastioned fortification, enclosing two acres of ground on the top of a round hill in the centre of the valley. It is composed of walls of timber and earth, 8 feet high, and from 6 feet thick at the top to 8 feet at bottom, sloped with earth work from the ditch, and secured by an earthwork glacis beyond the ditch. The armament at present consists of three 32s, two 24s, and several smaller pieces. We have now three regiments only at this post; but with the fort we are strong enough to repulse such an army as Price's. There is no probability of an attack soon, and we shall probably winter here, and not get into any battle before May or June.

"Our men are very anxious on the subject of Fremont's removal. We are unanimous in his favor. Indeed his conduct of the war in Missouri has been almost unexceptionable. On the other hand, he has been left without means to act efficiently. Some of his troops are not completely armed. Most of them—ourselves included—have not yet received any pay. Ten more good regiments at almost any time would have cleared out the State; but with his limited force we are likely to have a tedious protraction of indecisive warfare.

P. S.—Before I had a chance to mail this letter our communication with St. Louis was cut off by a detachment of Jeff. Thompson's force. The next day, the 16th, we marched against them, but returned, learning that a large force under Jeff. threatened this place. Yesterday, the 17th, at 3 a. m., we marched out, preceded by 350 cavalry, but the rebels had retired to Fredericktown, 22 miles off. We followed them to that place, and found the cavalry skirmishing. We drew a body of cavalry into a defile, and killed 17 and wounded 10, while the space of three men killed. They fled after firing a few shots, without serious effect. I enjoyed the little battle very much. The few bullets that struck around us were not very alarming. That night we returned, making 44 miles in 26 hours. Being reinforced, we intend to attack them again, under better auspices this time."

[The late news we have of the brilliant affair at Fredericktown, in which, some 5,000 rebels, under Jeff. Thompson and Lowe, were routed with heavy loss by these same troops, show that the expectations of the writer were well founded.]

United States District Court.

Wednesday, Oct. 23.—Before Judge McCandless.

There are three cases now ready for trial—those of Hopkins, Fuller and Gonghnour, for counterfeiting—but owing to the absence of the defendants, neither of the cases could be taken up to-day.

It seems that Shoemaker, charged with counterfeiting, has given his bail the slip, and cannot be found. The prosecution claim to have a strong case against him, and his flight corroborates the allegation. Should he not be forthcoming before the close of the term, his recognizance will be forfeited.

Court adjourned till ten o'clock Thursday morning.

Supreme Court.

WEDNESDAY, Oct 23.—Before Chief Justice Lowrie, Judges Thompson, Strong and Read. Judge Woodward was absent.

Wallace's Adm'r vs. Holmes; D. C. Argued by Acheson for Plaintiff in Error, and by Shaler contra.

Kater vs. Steinruck; D. C. Argued by Melton for Plaintiff in Error, and T. B. Hamilton contra.

Coll'ns Pittsburgh Female College; D. C. Submitted. White for Plaintiff in Error; Hopkins contra.

Singerly vs. Chambers, Bro. & Co.; C. P. Submitted by Cochran for Plaintiff in Error, and by Thompson contra—and judgment affirmed by the Court.

Howley vs. Kirkland; C. P. Argued by McClowry for Plaintiff in Error, and Barton contra—and judgment affirmed by the Court.

Jopp vs. McClelland; D. C. Argued by Slagle for the city of Pittsburgh, and by Hasbrouck contra.

Jones & Co. vs. Milliken; C. P. Argued by A. S. Bell for Plaintiff in Error, and by Melton contra.

Murdock vs. Armstrong; D. C. Judgment of non. pros.

Mairs vs. Taylor; D. C. Argued by Lucas for Plaintiff in Error; Gayer, contra, not heard.

Mark's Ex'r vs. Russell; C. P. Argued by Shinn for Plaintiff in Error, and by Owens contra.

Graham et. al. vs. McCreary; C. P. Argued by White for Plaintiff in Error; Ewing, contra, not heard.

Stauffer vs. Sheffler; D. C. Argued by White for Plaintiff in Error, and by Stowe contra.

Gilmore vs. Rogers; D. C. Submitted. White for Plaintiff in Error; Slagle contra.

Court adjourned till ten o'clock Thursday morning.

Court of Quarter Sessions.

Before Judges McClure, Adams and Parke.

In the case of. Chas. S. Kennedy and John Barry, cross suits for assault and battery with intent to kill, the jury found a verdict of not guilty as to Kennedy, but that he pay one-half the costs; and guilty as to Barry, with a recommendation to the mercy of the Court.

Joseph Kennedy, a driver in the employ of Stewart, Dickson & Co., coal dealers, was put upon trial under the 26th section of the Penal Code, which provides that any person who shall wantonly and cruelly maim, torture or kill any horse or other domestic animal, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor. The evidence went to show that, in August last, the defendant, who then had charge of a mule at the coal pits of Stewart, Dickson & Co., seized the animal by the tongue, in a fit of ill temper, and pulled the tongue from its head. He did not pretend to deny the charge, and the only point his counsel urged in his behalf was whether the act had been done wantonly and cruelly. His statement was that the bridle came off, and when he went to put it on, the mule became fractious. He then seized it by the tongue, (which was his method of conquering mules,) when the animal gave a jerk, and the tongue came out! The jury did not believe in this new method of treating mules, but by their verdict they pronounced it wanton and cruel. They found a verdict of guilty, without leaving the box, and the prisoner was remanded for sentence.

John and Andrew Kilnehance, father and son, residing on Liberty street, were put on trial for assault and battery on Capt. Victor Keller. The prosecutor commands a company in Col. Schimmelfennig's regiment, and some weeks since, while passing defendants' house, he was hailed by Andrew Kilnehance, who began to "make fun" of the captain and his company. Words led to blows, when John Kilnehance, father of Andrew, made his appearance and separated them. The father and Keller then got into blows, when he struck Keller with a pick handle and knocked him senseless. After Keller recovered, he threw stones at Kilnehance's house, and dared either of them to fight him. No verdict.

An Oil Well on Fire—Four Men Injured.

A correspondent, writing from Oil city, Venango county, informs us of a sad accident which occurred near that place, on the 15th inst. A flowing well had been struck on the Blood farm, five miles below the mouth of Oil creek, and the engineer, Patrick Collins, forgetting to put out the fire, the gas caught, causing a terrific explosion. The engineer and the driller were so badly burned that they are not expected to recover. Two men, who had come to see the well, and who were standing some ten rods distant at the time of the explosion, were considerably burned, but not dangerously. When our correspondent wrote, the well had been burning three days, and was still on fire, although repeated efforts had been made to quench the flames. The oil is consumed as it rushes from the well, and hund reds of people visit the place day and night, to witness the extraordinary sight.

DENTISTRY.—Dr. C. Gill, No. 246 Penn st., attends to all branches of the Dental profession.

Our Book Table.

THE ARMIES OF EUROPE; comprising Descriptions in Detail of the Military Systems of England, France, Russia, Prussia, Austria, and Sardinia, adapting their Advantages to all arms of the United States Service; and embodying the Report of Observations in Europe during the Crimean War, as Military Commissioner from the U. S. Government, in 1855-56. By Geo B. McClellan, Major General U. S. Army. Originally published under the Direction of the War Department by Order of Congress. Illustrated with Several Hundred Engravings. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co., 1861. Pittsburgh: Kay & Co., 55 Wood street. Price, $3 50

Here is a timely book—one also of permanent interest and value. Knowing that the original report, in 4to., has been long out of print, we have, for some time past, been looking for a new edition. Having taken a foremost place among modern works on the art of war, the reproduction of such a book could be no doubtful enterprise for any publisher to engage in. Perhaps no book on the season will be now more enquired for than this—for already we ourselves have had numerous enquirers applying to us to learn where a copy of Gen. McClellan's famous Report upon the armies of Europe, could be had, and have had to assure them that it could not be had till some enterprising publisher would reprint it. This has now been done by Messrs. J. B. Lippincott & Co., of Philadelphia, and through Messrs. Kay & Co., the Agents here, we have received the copy which has supplied the occasion for this notice. It is a handsome octavo volume of 500 pages, copiously illustrated throughout, and as well from the intrinsic excellence of the matter as from the high position of the distinguished author, it is sure to find a large number of readers.

HARPER'S MAGAZINE FOR NOVEMBER.—Mr. Henry Miner, (successor of Hunt & Miner), Fifth street, has received Harper for the coming month. A glance over the contents suffices to show that the usual attractive variety, which has given this Magazine such a position in popular favor, is as striking as ever. Some of the illustrations are very spirited.

Mr. W. A. Gildenfennay, No. 45 Fifth street, opposite the Theatre, has also received the November number of Harper.

Mr. John P. Hunt, Masonic Hall, Fifth street, is also in receipt of his usual monthly supply of the same popular magazine.

THE WIZARD OF THE NORTH.—Professor Anderson, a gentleman who has won a high reputation in New York City, by his entertainments of Legerdemain, and by his personation of "Rob Roy," will appear to-night at the theatre. As he will positively leave for Cincinnati on Friday morning, we expect to see the "Old Drury" crowded from top to bottom this evening by anxious spectators, all eager to get a glance at the great performer of one character, who has performed with distinguished honor to himself before all the crowned heads of Europe.

ALLEGHENY CITY TAXES.—Notwithstanding the unusually depressed condition of business during the present season, a very large proportion of the tax levy of Allegheny city has been paid into the Treasury. Of the $86,000 levied, some $60,000 has already been received, and the time is now at hand when the balance unpaid will be collected by due process of law at the proper cost of the delinquents.

DOCTOR C. BABIL, Water Cure and Homœpathic Physician; also agent for Rainbow's celebrated Truss for Ruptures. Corner of Penn and Wayne Streets.

MARRIED:

MOWRY—RICHARDSON—At Greensburg, on Wednesday morning, 23d inst., by the Rev. M. W. Jacobus, D. D. the Rev. PHILIP H. MOWRY, pastor of the 4th Presbyterian church, Philadelphia, to KATE H., daughter of the late Wm. H. Richardson, Esq., of Greensburg, Pa.

Arrivals at the Principal Hotels.

UP TO 8 O'CLOCK LAST NIGHT.

ST. CHARLES—Corner of Third and Wood streets, HARRY SHIRIS, PROPRIETOR.

S Weaver, Freeport, Ill. Col W Hopkins, Wash, Pa
Col E Hopkins, do
L Pason
W H Jeffers, Bellfountain
R G McCoy, Steubenville
S Gill, Mt Pleasant
W H Amos Phila
J M Hack
Wm Thorndell, Union'n
W A Hanford, Ohio
J Marsh, Youngstown
O Obslwick, Ft Duquesne
F Reilly
H Forney, Sharon
J W Ormsby, Hickory
J D McKee, Phila
O C Slashire, Gallipolis
Mrs Griffin & child, Nashville, Tenn
S Grass, Phila
A L Ayr, Morgantown
D B Harbaugh, Detroit
L C Pitner, Glasico
S S Coursin, wife & child's McKeesport
J P Holmes
J R Lindsay
H Logan, W Greenville
A O Thompson, Ohio
O C Backus, Defiance, O
Jas R Boyd, New York
D Barnes, Jr, do
D H Kennedy, West co
Geo H Spahr, Virginia

MANSION HOUSE—No. 844 Liberty street. GROSS SUMMYS PROPRIETOR.

J O Teary, West. co
H Johnston, Germantown
S Kerr, Ohio
F Wilks,
W Walton, New Brighton
O Scott & lady,
L Fortune, Wheeling
G W Palmer, Freeport
M Wilson, Md
B B Copeland,
J O'Neal,
D Logan, Baltimore
M Neal, McKeesport
O Glouse, Phila
P Beaumont, Salem, O
J Pittsburgh, Ky
J Boundy, Michigan
J McGee,
D D Hurlbut, Phila
W H Shruff, Mercer
A McCormick, Minneapolis
J Eastern, Johnstown
B J McAteer, Phila
H O Curry & lady, Erie
J P McDowell, Cp. Gronman,
R Creswell, Huntingdon
B Lindsay, Jefferson
T S Leisenring, Scranton
J B Forker, Kittanning
A J Pollinger, Rockland
J B Midland, do
A McCormick, do
D L Smith, do
H Davis, do
J Dumald, Venango co
J Milat, Rockland
A Flowers, do
T Flowers, do
S Bakin, do
O Bailey, Richmond, Pa
B Parker, Scrubgrass
J O'Keefe, N Y
J B Farrell, Carlisle
J Ilbey, Milwood
Mrs Reed, do
Mrs McFarland, do
O Patterson, Kittanning
G J Woodruff, N Y
S J Lubrie, Darlington
R McGregor, Ohio
H J Wyman, N Y
J B Jones, Harrisburg

GIRARD HOUSE—Corner Smithfield and Third street. S. L. ROCKEY, PROPRIETOR.

Sam Eberman, Elizabeth
Geo Meltinger, Mon city
A D Porter, Waynesburg
Irwin Taylor, Greene co
Jas Emery, do
W H McGary, do
J O Godin, Kittanning
Ed Tinker, O'veland
J T Morley, Waynesburg
John O Yeats, Freeport
Jas Dougherty, do
John S Barr, Jefferson co
R B Brown, do
Wm Dunbar, Detroit
John Herbert, Worth'ton
J K Park, Kittanning co
Paul Hough, West Newton

EAGLE HOTEL—Liberty street, below Seventh. JOHN MINER, PROPRIETOR.

W G Rhodes, Norristown
Jas Patterson, Rural Vil.
H Cavitt, Youghiogheny
C O'Donald, Cleveland
S Burnley, Brookville
D Acheson, Mt Pleasant
A S Miller, do

HARE'S HOTEL—Liberty street, foot of Fifth. SAMUEL HARE, PROPRIETOR.

M B Roke, Noblestown
J Hoover, Canonsburg
Jas Johnston, Thompsonville
Jas M Moorhead, Erie co
Joe Sutton, Elizabeth
R L Weir & lady, Straton
W McGlean, Noblestown
A Craighead Elizabeth
Jas Russell & son, Wash co
J C Bond, Canonsburg
L W Evans, Burning Sp'gs
Jas Morrock, do
C M Stewart, Mercer co
J W McDonald, Wash co
J M Keck, Lock No 17
W H Amos, Phila
A W Aiken, Gandor
H J Cook, do
W Singer, Harrison, O
J M Curry, Wash, Pa

RED LION HOTEL—No. 5, St. Clair street. R. P. GORDON, PROPRIETOR.

M Gaston, Wash, Penna
Wm Pollock, do
Thos Bane, do
W Price, do
J J Cleland, do
A M Hoose, do
Jas Thompson, do
A Macky, do
R Butler, do
H Boyce, do
H Shinner, do
J Leiper, do
W L Hamilton, do
Jas Walton, do
G W Moyar, do
Jas E Kies, do
J Donelly, do
A Logan, do
H Lacklair, Ohio
S Harvey, Hoover, O
S McMillin
Geo Loud
R S Clark, N Y
R Crawford, Burgettstown
W Crisman, Lawrenceville
A Anderson, Darlington
W Kirk, Harrisburg
T Caliban, Union co
A Carns, Jr, Butler
M McDowl, West Greenv'e
J Jones
D D Evans, Chicago
S Daniels, Johnstown
J Dirky
Chas Leary, Waterville
R Abby, do
Jno Hopper, Huntingdon
W H Lukes, Rochester
S W Green, Ashville
W Young, Mon city
Jec B Morris
F U McAnoo, Greenville
W McAnoo, do
J Bary, Armstrong
S W Boughton, Ky

NATIONAL HOTEL—No. 187, Water street. F. SHUPLAR, PROPRIETOR.

Isaac Murdock, Enon St'n
O O Rust, Green co
J Miller, do
G G Evans, do
J E Weir,
J Davis,
D Dinsmore,
B B Chattuck,
A Howard, Green co
David Wolf, do
J Monroe, St Marion, Md
Geo Mustard, New Salem
J Shepler, Peters Creek
T Acklin, Brownsville
Robt Hornell, N Bethlehem
A McAbertis, do
D G Smith, Allegheny co
J O Swaitzer, Somerset co
John McGillivray, Brightonton, O
H Conklin, Lancaster
H O Phirls, do
Miss Trunick, Marietta
Sam Sharp, do
Jones White, Chester co

Latest from California.

GREAT SALT LAKE CITY, Oct. 22 The Pony Express passed East, to-day, with San Francisco advices to the 16th inst. The following is a summary of the news:

Gen. Fremont's movements in Missouri form the principal topic of conversation and newspaper discussion. Old Californians, the press, and well informed men generally concur in representing Fremont as totally incompetent to creditably discharge the duties of his present position. His personal friends maintain that he is brave and daring, and think that he would distinguish himself in command of a brigade, but few believe him fitted with either the business capacity or military skill and judgment of a great army. Calculating men say that it will cost $100,000,000 to accomplish, under Fremont, what might be accomplished for $10,000,000 under a prudent and sagacious Major-General.

Orders have been issued for the transfer of five companies of Col. Lippett's regiment of infantry, under command of Major Curtiss, and a few companies of infantry of Col. Judah's regiment, to reinforce the various posts in Oregon.

The ship Rodrigs brings dates from the Sandwich Islands to the 26th ult., but the news is not important.

The difficulties between the French Commissioner and the Hiawathian government have been referred to Napoleon for settlement. The French man-of-war Gallathie, not being any longer wanted to menace Honolulu, had sailed for San Francisco.

The ship Carrington, which arrived at this port yesterday, was only twenty-six days from Japan.

The schooner Neva, about which so much has been said of late as likely to turn privateer, had arrived at Kanagaia where she was overhauled by the Saginaw, and after an examination of the vessel and her papers she found her all right, and after vainly trying to sell her to the Japanese she sailed for this port two days before the Carrington.

There is no news of special interest from Japan. Business had improved somewhat at Yakapama since the new tea and silk had come into market. The survey of Neagata, one of the five ports ceded to the United States by treaty, has been abandoned for the present. The usual large British naval force was stationed at Yeddo and Yakapama. Dissatisfaction was said to exist among American residents at Yakapama on account of the unequal rate of exchange, and that, too, it is stated, under the sanction of the Minister and Consul. A petition had been signed by American merchants of high standing in Yakapama and forwarded to the President, asking, in the strongest terms, the suspension of one character of the Minister at Yeddo and Consul at Karragarra.

Latest from Washington.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—The steamer Harriet Lane went down the river again last evening. Yesterday afternoon the tug Pocey brought up to the Navy Yard the steamer Hugh Jenkins, which was disabled and sunk by collision with the Robert Leslie.

The gunboat Yankee ran the blockade day before yesterday and brought to the Harriet Lane the news in relation to the new batteries at Matthias Point.

The Union, the Philadelphia ice boat and the Satellite are between Matthias Point and Shipping Point batteries.

Two or three pungies, with oysters, have run the blockade within the last two days. There is a weak channel near the Maryland shore, opposite Shipping Point, that is navigable by vessels drawing eight feet of water. Several of the vessels which have run the blockade came by this route, under the shore, and escaped notice.

WASHINGTON CITY, Oct. 23.—Reliable information from Virginia confirms the stories of discontent and murmurings not only in the camps, but among all classes, as to the management of affairs by the Southern government, which, while it subjects them to continued sacrifices and privations, it brings no advantages in return. It is believed that but for the overawing presence of the Southern army, Eastern Virginia would now be ready to return to her loyalty. Many evidences of satisfaction and signs of welcome are displayed by the inhabitants of London county toward the newly arrived troops of Gen. Banks.

It is well understood that the reports of the intended interference with our blockade by European powers, are, for the most part, the inventions of cotton brokers, or those who wish to engage in the same business.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—A nolle prosequi has been entered in the case of A. G. Ferris, one of the crew of the pirate Savannah, and he has been accepted as a witness. A jury is being empannelled.

The transports now loading for Washington will proceed to Locust Point, Baltimore, whence the cargoes will be forwarded by rail. Large quantities of ammunition and stores are now being sent to St. Louis by rail.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—The steamship North Star, with the San Francisco mail of the 1st inst., arrived at this port this afternoon. She brings 535 passengers, including the old officers and crew of the sloop-of-war Lancaster. Her specie list amounts to one million of dollars. The North Star passed the Northern Light on the 18th.

The Panama *Star* has received intelligence by a British steamer from St. Thomas, that the pirate Sumpter was still cruising among the Windward Islands.

There is no news from the interior of New Grenada, except that the States of Ocnca, Antioque and Sandanter are in arms against Mosquera.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 23.—An investigation into the affairs of the Millers' and Manufacturers' Insurance Company of this city, reveals the embezzlement of $23,000 by John W. Clark, Secretary of the Company.

Markets by Telegraph.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 23—Noon—Flour firm at $4 @5 50 for sup-fine. Wheat active; sales 10,000 bush; 2d sold at $1 34@1 32 and white at $1 40@1 50. Corn has declined; sales 6,000 bush at 60@60c. Groceries and provisions very quiet. Whisky in demand at 22c.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23—Noon—Flour firm but quiet, sales 9,000 bbls. Wheat has advanced 1@2c; 150,000 bush sold at $1 15@1 20 for Chicago spring, $1 20@1 25 for Milwaukee club, $1 34@1 36 for red and $1 40 for white Michigan and Kentucky. Corn steady; sales 10,000 bush at 59@60c. for mixed. Provisions quiet. Whisky dull at 20c. Freights of 1 mar 47,663 bbls; wheat, 229,000 bush; corn, 180,000 bush.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—Evening.—Cotton firm sales 2,000 bales at 21¾c. Flour firm; sales 35,000 bbls, at $3 90@5 90 for Ohio, $3 20@5 40 for State and Southern at $3 85. Wheat; sales 403,500 bush. at $1 18@1 21 for Chicago spring, $1 17@1 21 for Milwaukee club, $1 29@1 35 for red and $1 32@1 45 for white. Corn; sales 210,000 bush. at 57@61c. Pork heavy at $15 50@15 75 for mess. Whisky dull at 21c.

LOCAL ITEMS.

Complimentary Card.

The following card, which we find in the Louisville *Journal*, speaks highly of the discipline and subordination of the troops under the command of Brig.-Gen. James S. Negley, on their passage down the river:

ON BOARD FLAG BOAT "SIR WM. WALLACE,"
Louisville, October 21, 1861.

It affords us great pleasure to return our sincere thanks to Gen. James S. Negley, and the officers and men under his command, for their soldierly bearing and gentlemanly conduct whilst on board the fleet, during their trip from Pittsburgh to this point.

W. J. KOUNTZ, Commander of Fleet.
HUGH CAMPBELL, Capt. Sir Wm. Wallace.
G. W. REED, Capt. Moderator.
THOMAS POE, Capt. Clara Poe.
A. McCARNEY, Capt. J. W. Mullmon.
J. S. McMILLAN, Capt. Silver Wave.
J. W. PORTER, Capt. Argonaut.

Narrow Escape.

The Greensburg *Herald* says: "The editor of the Greensburg *Argus* made a narrow escape of being shot one evening last week. He was in the train coming from Pittsburgh, in a car where there were two soldiers. There was some discussion or misunderstanding between the soldiers, which resulted in the firing of a pistol on the part of one, at the other. The ball missed the soldier and grazed the editor's wig, and harmlessly spent itself in the wood work of the car. The man with the wig was awfully "skeered" though. Our first surmise on hearing of the occurrence, was that either the soldier or his pistol had *smelled* secessionism about the aforesaid editor, and that the said pistol had *gone off of itself*—the soldier being passive to the act—both soldier and pistol being, as a matter of course, very loyal and exceedingly sensitive to such matters. Up to latest accounts, the fright had not changed the color of the wig."

FORTRESS MONROE—*Via Baltimore, Oct. 23.*—Gen. Sherman arrived to-day in the steamship Atlantic.

The affair at Newport News, mentioned in yesterday's letter, terminated with but slight loss on either side.

NEW YORK, Oct. 23.—The steamer North Star, from Aspinwall, is below with the treasure and passengers that left San Francisco on the 1st inst.

CALAIS, ME., Oct. 23.—A shock of an earthquake was distinctly felt about eight o'clock this morning.

THE LATEST NEWS.

BY TELEGRAPH.

RECEIVED AT THE DAILY GAZETTE OFFICE.

The Battle near Edward's Ferry!

OUR TROOPS NOT REPULSED!

Banks Crossing the Potomac!

THE FEDERAL LOSS.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—The Washington *Star* says the object of the movement of Gen. Stone in crossing the river was to secure the command of the Virginia shore so that his division and that of Gen. Banks could be safely transferred to the soil of Virginia. After crossing his advance he sent out Col. Baker with portions of three regiments—his own, the Massachusetts Fifteenth and the New York Tammany Regiment, numbering in all about 1,800 men, forming his right wing to reconnoiter in force in the direction of Leesburg. Both his right and left wings were attacked as early as 9 a. m., but repulsed the enemy wherever he appeared.

At about five o'clock, p. m., the right wing found itself confronted by near 4,000 of the enemy, under Gen. Evans, with artillery. Gen. Evans attacked Gen. Baker's command in front and on both flanks. Gen. Baker gallantly essayed a charge, in making which he was killed and his command suffered considerable loss. The officer left in command of it by his death then very properly gave the order to fall back to a position near the river bank, where he could be supported by Gen. Stone and the other portion of his army that had by this time effected a crossing, in good order, and carried with him all his wounded and killed.

Col. Cogswell, the commander of the New York Tammany Regiment, and Capt. Cogswell, of the 8th Infantry, U. S. Army, are among the missing.

Lieut. Col. Ward, of the Massachusetts 15th, was wounded in the affair, losing a leg.

On reaching the position selected, the right wing turned, and both wings held their own upon it, though under the fire of the enemy, which continued unslackened until midnight, by which time it ceased, having for some hours before become little more than picket shooting, as it were.—Throughout the night, the balance of Gen. Stone's force crossed the river and threw up temporary works, that rendered his position secure and enabled him to protect his crossing of the division of Gen. Banks, to be essayed this morning.

Our information, so far, this forenoon is that Gen. Banks' army duly arrived at the Maryland landing of Edward's Ferry, last night, and has been crossing the river securely since daylight.

Gen. Banks is in person on the Virginia side, and has assumed the chief command there.

Gen. McCalli's division remains in about the same position in main body but has advanced two days past, from whence it may operate effectively in any required direction, its presence higher up the river to support the important movement of Gens. Stone and Banks not having been necessary, as the result proves.

Our total killed, wounded and missing in the course of the day was about 200.

Some of our cotemporaries are wholly in error in announcing the affair of yesterday, opposite Leesburg, as a repulse of the Union troops. On the contrary, it was eminently successful, Gen. Stone having effected his object, though with some loss in his right wing, while engaged in reconnoitering in advance of his main operations. While all lament the death of Col. Baker, and that Col. Coggswell is probably in the enemy's hands, Gen. Stone's success is still a glorious one.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 23.—The success of the movement of Gen. Stone and Gen. Banks across the Potomac is now established, as the enemy did not venture to make further resistance to it yesterday. All accounts agree that our men conducted themselves nobly in the affair of Monday. Even the portion of the column which received a temporary check by the death of its commander, Col. Baker, behaved gallantly, although opposed to a force triple their numbers. The remainder of Gen. Stone's command also acted with the coolness of veterans. The ground thus gained was retained, and undisturbed possession of our troops all day yesterday. Scouts and reconnoitering parties during the day obtained much valuable information in regard to the enemy. The above facts are derived from reliable sources.

Asbury Dickens, late Secretary of the Senate, which position he occupied for many years, died in this city this morning at an advanced age, probably ninety years.

Lieut. Chas. E. Hay, 34 regiment cavalry, has been appointed an Aid-de-Camp to Gen. Hunter.

It is understood that the blankets ordered from Europe in August by the Quartermaster's Department, are arriving. Twenty-nine thousand five hundred have already reached New York. The cost to the United States is forty cents per pound, and as each blanket weighs five pounds, the cost for each is two dollars.

Important from Missouri.

ROLLA, Oct. 23.—Lieut. Kirby, with fifteen men of Major Wright's battalion, had another fight with forty-five rebels, near Linn Creek, on the 17th instant, killing five of them and wounding about a dozen.

The result of Major Wright's march from Rolla to Linn Creek can be summed up as follows: Three successful fights, in which 68 rebels were killed, about the same number wounded, and 87 prisoners taken, 123 guns, 16 horses, several yoke of oxen, wagons, and many other articles.

Price's army was at Greenfield last Wednesday, still headed South.

Reports from Springfield say that Gen. McBride, of the rebel forces, has resigned and is on his way to that place, to disband his Division and return home.

Col. Taylor, in command of the rebel forces at Springfield, recently issued a proclamation declaring that all the Union men who had belonged to the Home Guards, would be required to leave the country or go into the Southern army for the same length of time they had served in the Federal army, and requiring a pledge from the Union men now there for the exemplary conduct of their friends who are absent from home. The proclamation also prohibits the carrying of any more slaves South, as such a course is calculated to lessen the confidence of the people in the ability of the Southern army to sustain itself in Missouri.

ST. LOUIS, Oct. 23—*Via Democrat* learns that Gen. Fremont has detailed Brig. Gen. Strong, recently appointed on his staff from New York, to take up all the unsettled accounts of this department, that everything may be searchingly scrutinized in reference to their final adjustment by the Secretary of War.

ST. JOHNS, Oct. 21.—The steamer Africa, from Liverpool on the 12th, via. Queenstown on the 13th, passed off Cape Race last night.

It was reported that the