Pittsburgh Gazette.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MARCH 25.

CITY AFFAIRS.

OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE CITY.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS for the Gazette, by G. R. SHAW, Optician, No. 55 Fifth street—corrected daily:

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9 o'clock, A. M.	60	52
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Barometer	29 4-10	

EXPLANATION.—Owing to a serious break to one of our presses, our regular mail edition was necessarily missed yesterday morning. Workmen were engaged all night in repairing it, but did not complete their work until five o'clock yesterday morning. We hope this explanation will prove satisfactory.

NOTICE TO SUBSCRIBERS.—Those of our subscribers who design changing their places of residence should give notice of the fact at our counting room, so that no mistakes may occur in delivering the paper. If the matter is attended to at the proper time, there need be no interruption in the receipt of the papers.

Court Reports.

COMMON PLEAS, ORPHANS' COURT, &c.

PRESIDENT—HON. JAMES P. SYERRETT.
ASSISTANT LAW JUDGE—HON. THOMAS MELLON.
ASSOCIATE LAW JUDGE—HON. E. H. STOWE.
ASSOCIATE JUDGE—HON. J. BROWN.
TERM DAYS—4th Monday of March; 1st Monday of June; 1st Monday of October; 4th Monday of December. Return days—First Monday of each month, and the first day of each term.
Trial list taken up on the first Monday of each month, embracing all causes at issue on the fourth Saturday preceding the first Monday of each month.
Sheriff's Sales, on the first day of each term.
Argument Lists taken up on the Monday succeeding the conclusion of jury trials.

District Court.

PRESIDENT—HON. M. HAMPTON.
ASSOCIATE—HON. H. W. WILLIAMS.
TERM DAYS—The fourth Monday of January, April, July and November. Return days—The first Monday of each month and the first day of each term.
Sheriff's Sales on the first day of each month.
ARGUMENT WEEK—Monday, April 6th, and every fifth week thereafter.
Trial calls for each day consist of the first ten open cases.

Quarter Sessions.

The following cases were up for trial in this Court yesterday:

Com. vs. Sarah Mitchell *alias* Kropps, larceny; guilty, and sentenced to the county jail for three months.

Com. vs. Thorton Goff, larceny; not guilty.

Com. vs. Wm. Wiskilp, malicious mischief; not guilty, by reason of insanity.

Com. vs. James McKane, larceny; not guilty.

Com. vs. Edward Crummy *et. al.*, aggravated assault assault and battery; on trial.

DISTRICT COURT.—The following cases are set for trial to-day in this Court: Barristown vs. Pool, No. 60; Kelly vs. Walton, Adm'r, No. 91; Burford vs. Finch, No. 95; Grossman vs. Gibbs & Hobson, No. 94; Wallace vs. Wallace, No. 98; Varner vs. Cataract Oil Company, No. 161; Kenny vs. McClurg's Furnishee, No. 103; McClurg vs. Silverman, No. 106; Krentz vs. McKnight, *et. al.*, No. 107; Fleming for use vs. Douglass and English, No. 108.

Serious Railroad Accident.

The freight train going west, on the Pittsburgh and Cleveland Railroad Extension, in passing through Steubenville, on Saturday evening, ran over a couple of cows, near the Clinton Paper Mills. The train was thrown off the track, and ran some considerable distance—near to Cable's saw mill, where three cars were tilted over the bank of the river—a fall of some thirty-five feet. These cars were filled with government horses. Two of the horses were killed outright, and one died on Saturday night of injuries. Some half a dozen others were badly maimed. The gentleman who had them in charge was also pretty badly bruised. We did not learn his name.

Burglars Carnival.

Our goodly city is not the only one which is infested with burglars. On Monday night they were particularly industrious in Cleveland. The office of the City Clerk was entered, and finding the key of the safe in a drawer, they rifled its contents. The office of Brinsmade & Sherwin was entered, and a number of valuable papers, including a $500 bond, was taken. The trunk store of R. M. Flynt was also entered, and robbed of a few articles. In each case, the utmost deliberation in their operations was perceptible. Our citizens and police should exercise the utmost watchfulness, and deal summarily with any burglar they may detect plying his villainous trade.

SALES of real estate and stocks by J. G. Davis, auctioneer, at the Commercial Sales Rooms, No. 54 Fifth street, Tuesday, March 24th—

Bank of Pittsburgh	$65 00
Exchange Bank	66 25
Allegheny Bank	55 75
Merchants' and Manufs. Bank	56 00
Monongahela Savings Bank	50 50
Pittsburgh Ft. W. & C. Railway, Co.	61 00
Western Insurance Company	55 25
Pittsburgh do. do.	35 25
Allegheny do. do.	26 75
Pitts. and Connellsville R. R. Co.	7 25
Do. do. do.	7 00
House and lot on Ridge street, formerly owned by Col. Sam. Black, deceased	6,300 00

EAST BIRMINGHAM COUNCIL.—On Monday evening the Council of East Birmingham met and organized, and after the new elected members were sworn in, the following appointments were made: Clerk, August Ammon. Street Commissioner, S. J. Thomas. Treasurer, Wm. Mittensny. High Constable, Christ. Feld. Finance Committee, Domnic Hussen, Louis Keil, Thos. Worcester. Street Committee, C. J. Schultz, Chas. Holzenbach, John G. Fisher.

MELANCHOLY SUICIDE.—A citizen of Fairfield township, Columbiana county, Ohio, named Winkersham, in a sudden fit of frenzied insanity, committed suicide on Sunday last, by cutting his throat. The unfortunate man was in good circumstances, as regards the comforts of life, is said to have been modest and inoffensive in his manners, and was almost universally respected by those who knew him.

THE TRIAL OF MRS. CULBERTSON.—The trial of this unfortunate woman before the examining court for the murder of her husband, by poisoning him over a year ago, has just been concluded in Zanesville, and has resulted in her committal for trial at the next term of the Criminal Court. John Birkhauser, who was tried with her as being accessory, has also been committed.

ARTICLES WANTED.—The following articles are much needed in the hospitals of our armies: Shirts, drawers and socks. Ladies wishing to assist in making up the above articles, will please call at the rooms of the Subsistence Committee, City Hall, this afternoon, from 3 to 5 o'clock.

RECOVERING.—The little boy, Thomas Marlan, of whom mention was made in yesterday's paper, is not so badly injured as was supposed. The attendant physician says the injury was in the spine, but does not consider it permanent.

ATTACHMENTS FOR JURORS.—Attachments were issued yesterday against some twenty jurors in the District Court, and twelve in the Court of Quarter Sessions, for non-appearance.

WHEAT PROSPECTS.—The Zanesville *Courier* says that the prospect for the coming wheat crop in that vicinity is anything but flattering.

THE FAIRY WEDDING GROUP.—Mr. and Mrs. Tom Thumb, Com. Nutt and Miss Minnie Warren, all on one card, at Pittock's, opposite the Post Office.

CENTRAL OHIO RAILROAD.—The earnings for this road during the month of February are $35,000, and the month of March will be greater.

THREE HUNDRED more photographs of Tom Thumb and Wife, received yesterday, at Pittock's, opposite the Post Office.

LAWYERS.—Fifty reams of legal cap paper, just received, at Pittock's, opposite the Post Office.

NUISANCE.—There is a coal car standing on the pavement on Liberty street, in the Fifth Ward, near Wesley Chapel, which has injured several persons severely. Of a dark night, it is almost impossible to avoid it; as in its present position, it leaves but about two feet of the pavement for purposes of pedestrianism. It should be removed.

ASSAULT WITH INTENT TO KILL.—Alderman Jones, yesterday, issued warrants for the arrest of Richard Hatfley, John McCann, Chas. McGregor, and Meyley Riley, coal diggers, for assault and battery with intent to kill, upon oath of Benjamin Humphreys, the injured party. They knocked him down, beat out his teeth, and otherwise abused him.

ATTENTION is directed to the bricklayers' advertisement in another column, in which they announce that from and after the first day of April they will demand from their employers an advance of wages.

GODEY, ATLANTIC AND HARPER for April, at Pittock's, opposite the Post Office.

SPECIAL LOCAL NOTICES.

[illegible] for ready and manufacturing [illegible] are the best in use.

[illegible] Agent, 18, Fifth street.

IF YOU desire any repairs or alterations to your dwelling, or places of business call and leave your order at Cuthbert's Carpenter and Jobbing Shop, Virgin Alley, above Smithfield street. All work promptly attended to.

OMNIBUS CALLS will be taken at the Omnibus Office, No. 40½ Liberty street, day or night. All orders left at the above place will be promptly attended to. All calls must be paid in advance. 6m

THE miasma and foul vapors generated by the hot sun will be far more deadly to our volunteers than the enemy's bayonets. In the Indian and Crimean campaigns, HOLLOWAY'S PILLS were used in enormous quantities. They kept the troops in perfect health. Only 25 cents per box. Soldiers, supply yourselves. 217.

DR. HAZLETT will be at the Pittsburgh Drug House, (corner of Fourth and Market streets,) on Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, the 21st, 23d, 24th, and 25th days of March, and will apply Trusses, Shoulder Braces, and Abdominal Supporters to those needing and calling. Dr. Hazlett having had many years' experience in this department, we would urge all who are afflicted with rupture, falling of the womb, or a stooping posture, to call and obtain the benefit of his services.

No blessing in life equals that of health; without it, all is vanity and vexation of spirit. To all Dyspeptics, to those afflicted with disease of the Liver or Stomach, Palpitation of the Heart, nervous and delicate Females, we would say, call and see Dr. Hazlett, who will be at the Pittsburgh Drug House, (corner Fourth and Market streets,) on Saturday, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, the 21st, 23d, 24th, and 25th of March. Dr. Hazlett for twenty years, has devoted his attention to these diseases, and his success has been remarkable. His patients speak of his treatment in the highest terms. Consultation free. mh21:4t

CHEAP CLOTHING AND WHERE TO BUY THEM.—The enterprising firm of Wm. H. McGee & Co., merchant tailors, corner of Federal and Diamond square, Allegheny, being fully aware of the extraordinary advance in Spring goods, have purchased half fall a beautiful assortment of cloth, cassimeres, vestings, &c., and they are now ready to open their Spring trade with superior articles, at greatly reduced prices. They will sell their goods by the yard if desired, and as they keep constantly on hand a large supply of ready made clothing, customers can be accommodated on demand, or have a neatly fitted suit to order. The work is all done under their supervision, and always warranted to purchasers.

JUST RETURNED FROM THE EAST.—Samuel Graham, Merchant Tailor, would respectfully inform his friends and the public in general that he has just returned from the East with his new stock of Spring and Summer Goods, consisting of all the latest styles of cloths, cassimeres and vestings. Gentlemen desiring a stock to select from that cannot be surpassed by any other in the city, and their garments made in the most fashionable manner, would do well to give him a call before purchasing elsewhere.

SAMUEL GRAHAM, Merchant Tailor, No. 54 Market street, one door from Third.

THEATRE.—To-night, manager Henderson offers another fine bill—Mike Martin, the dashing highwayman, and Sketches in India. The great difficulty attending the production of equestrian pieces, is principally because the person who is capable of riding is not responsible as an actor, and the pleasure received in witnessing his daring feats of horsemanship, is more than counterbalanced by the miserable rendition of the character in other respects. In this case it is safe to say that Mr. Miles will save the audience from that infliction. He is already known to the public as a careful and judicious actor, and is at the same time a perfect master of the horse, and a fearless dashing rider. We hope for him, to-night, a full house.

AMUSEMENTS.

CONCERT HALL.

SIX NIGHTS MORE OF

SANFORD'S

OPERA TROUPE!

MONDAY EVENING, March 23d, first night of the Comic Opera of

BONE SQUASH,

Together with Songs, Dances, Scenes, &c.

Admission, 25 CENTS. Doors open at 7 o'clock; performance commences at 7½.

On Saturday Afternoon, an EXTRA PERFORMANCE for Ladies and Children. A reduction made for families. Children admitted for half price. mh23:3t

PITTSBURGH THEATRE.

LESSEE AND MANAGER.....WM. HENDERSON
TREASURER.....S. LEE

PRICES OF ADMISSION.—Private Boxes, $5 00; Single seats in Private Box, $1 00; Parquette and Dress Circle, Chairs, 50 cents; Family Circle, 25 cents; Colored Gallery, 25 cents; Colored Boxes, 50 cents; Gallery, 12 cents.

Last night but three of Mr. MILES and his Arabian horse "Hiawatha."

THIS (Wednesday) EVENING, MARCH 25th, 1863, Will be presented the drama of

MIKE MARTIN,

THE BOLD HIGHWAYMAN AND ROBBER.
MIKE MARTIN.....MR. MILES.
THUNDERBOLT.....O. FOSTAR.
ELIZABETH.....ANNIE EDERLIE.

To conclude with

SKETCHES IN INDIA.

TOM TAPE.....J. O. SEFTON.
SALLIE SOBAGOS.....ANNIE EDERLIE.

GOLD IS FALLING,

But BOOTS, SHOES AND GAITERS

Are advancing, so call and secure a bargain at

BORLAND'S, No. 98 Market street,

Second door from Fifth.

OPENING.

MRS. KITOHIN

Will open on THURSDAY, the 26th of March, a handsome assortment of SPRING MILLINERY, at her establishment, No. 123 Federal street, Allegheny.

FOR SALE—The House and Lot occupied by the undersigned, Fourth Ward, Allegheny

mh20:1w WM. COLEMAN.

MULES FOR SALE.—I have FORTY HEAD OF SUPERIOR MULES in the stock yards at Clark's, in this city, which I will sell at reasonable prices. Those wishing to purchase would find it to their interest to give me a call. Mules from four to seven years old—some well broken.

mh16:2t BEE. T. GETTY.

R. M. MONULTY. JOHN S. JENNINGS.

MONULTY & JENNINGS,

ATTORNEYS AT LAW,

COMMER OF MOURTH AND MAIN STREETS, MALDIN. DUBUQUE, Iowa.

Pennsylvania Legislature.

Reported for the Pittsburgh Gazette.

HARRISBURG, March 23, 1863.

House.—The House met at 7½ P. M., Speaker Cessna in the Chair.

Messrs. Boyer, of Clearfield, Trimmer, of Luzerne, Hess, of Northampton, Rowland, of Pike, Horton, of Fulton, and McCullough, of Armstrong, presented petition of citizens for a National Convention.

Messrs. Boyer and Horton presented petitions for a law to prevent the immigration of negroes into this State.

Messrs. Moore and Pancoast, of Philadelphia, presented remonstrances of citizens, of Philadelphia, and Mr. Cochran, of Philadelphia, remonstrances of citizens of Sullivan county against the passage of a law for keeping negroes from coming into the State.

Mr. Myers, of Adams, petition of citizens praying that the monies arising from fines on those having conscientious scruples against bearing arms, be paid to the County Commissioners of the respective counties.

Messrs. Shannon, of Allegheny, and Kerns, of Philadelphia, memorials of the religious society of Friends, for the relief from the payment of fines for the non-performance of military duties.

Mr. Ritter, of Snyder, petition for the passage of a law for the re-union of Snyder and Union counties.

Mr. Slack, petition of citizens of the borough of Duquesne for a division of the borough to be called East Allegheny.

Mr. Grow, a remonstrance of citizens of Allegheny county against the repeal of the law to prevent cattle, horses, sheep and swine from running at large.

Mr. Shannon, a remonstrance of the burgess and town council of Duquesne borough against the passage of a law to divide said borough; also, a petition of Marion Y. Hartzell, praying for the passage of a law to authorize the State Treasurer to refund certain monies erroneously paid by him into the Treasury.

Mr. Isaloe, of Fayette, presented a petition of citizens of Huntingdon county relative to railroad companies and asking a committee of investigation in regard to the charges of said railroad companies on freight. The committee are to inquire:

1st. Whether some or all of the railroad corporations chartered by the State, charge the citizens of this State more for the transportation of both passengers and merchandise in proportion to the distance travelled, than they charge to the citizens of other States.

2d. Whether any of said corporations assume the power of discriminating between individuals—carrying for some without charge—charging some a high and others a low rate; and, if so, the effect of such a course upon the business of such of our citizens who are not favored by low rates.

3d. Whether any of said corporations grant free passes over their railroad to citizens of this State who are not connected with the road, and the names, occupation and residence of persons who have accepted such passes.

4th. Whether any of said corporations, their officers or any other persons on behalf of such corporations, have at any time influenced or attempted to influence legislation in our state by any means whatever.

Mr. Kulns, from the Committee on the Judiciary General, reported the following preamble and joint resolution in answer to the Ohio State Legislature in regard to the Pennsylvania and Ohio Canal.

WHEREAS, Under the joint acts of the Legislature of the States of Ohio and Pennsylvania, a canal was constructed from the old Portage Summit of the Ohio State to intersect the Pennsylvania Canal from the mouth of Beaver, in the Ohio river, to Lake Erie; and whereas, from a resolution from the Senate of Ohio, forwarded to the General Assembly of this State, it appears that an attempt is being made to stop up that part of the said Ohio and Pennsylvania Canal within the State of Ohio, thereby rendering that part thereof in the State utterly valueless to the great damage to the people of this Commonwealth, therefore be it

Resolved, &c., That the State of Pennsylvania solemnly protests against the shutting up of the Ohio and Pennsylvania canal, or the perversion of it in any way from its original purpose, as a violation of the implied faith of the State of Ohio to Pennsylvania.

Resolved, That the Governor is hereby directed to forward a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution to the Governor of the State of Ohio, with a request that he lay the same before the Legislature of the State.

The resolution was adopted.

The Senate informed the House that it insisted in its amendment to the House joint resolution relative to appointment of the Legislature, (Senate's amendment was "4th of April.") The Senate appointed the following Committee of Conference: Messrs. Robinson, Lamay and Turrell.

Mr. Ritter, of Snyder, introduced a bill to unite the counties of Snyder and Union.

Mr. Grow, from the Committee on Banks, reported favorably, with amendments, the bill to extend the charter of the Exchange Bank of Pittsburgh.

The bill supplementary to an act to incorporate the Allegheny City and Freeport Railroad Company, approved April 14th, 1858, was returned from the Senate amended in the second section by the striking out of the name of Israel Painter and inserting that of A. W. Isaac. The House concurred in the amendment.

Mr. Slack introduced a bill to incorporate the borough of East Allegheny, in the county of Allegheny.

Mr. Shannon, Bill for the relief of Martin Y. Hartzell. Referred to the Committee on Claims.

Mr. Fielding, of Cambria, Supplement to the act for the adjustment and payment of certain military claims.

Mr. Brown, of Mercer, Bill in relation to the Erie extension canal. Referred to the Judiciary General Committee.

Mr. Trumer, of Luzerne, Supplement to the act regulating railroad companies. The railroad and canal companies are to make out and publish their annual reports on or before the 1st of March of each year.

Mr. Larry, of Blair, Bill to extend the time for the completion of the Venango Railroad. Passed.

Mr. Walsh, of Luzerne, Bill to prevent bankers, brokers, insurance companies, saving institutions, and incorporated corporations from dealing in gold and silver.

The bill to authorize School Directors to select sites for school houses, was lost.

A communication from Mayor Henry, of Philadelphia, was read, favoring the passage of the bill regulating places of public amusement.

The House adjourned at 10 o'clock.

SENATE.—The following bills were introduced:

Mr. Graham, Bill to incorporate the Joint & Nipple Manufacturing Company. The corporators named are, A. M. Washington, W. K. Nesbick, Lawrence T. Hill, Alex. John Pringle, Jas. Verner, R. P. Jones, John S. Bennett, David Bailey, N. Holmes, Alex. Speer, Richard Hays, Alex. Nimick, J. H. Jones and Andrew Carnegie, of Allegheny county, and C. Miller, of Philadelphia. The location to be in Allegheny county, area not exceeding twenty acres. Object to manufacture iron and alloy, also lay water, gas and agricultural implements, consisting wholly or in part of iron, and to store and traffic in such commodities as shall be necessary for the successful prosecution of their business. Capital $100,000, divided into 1,000 shares of $50 each, with privilege of increasing the same to an extent not exceeding $500,000.

Mr. Penney, a supplement to the act incorporating the Pittsburgh Coal Company. It is to enable the Company to take, receive and hold in fee simple, or for any less estate, coal and coal lands in the counties of Allegheny, Fayette, Washington and Westmoreland, not exceeding at any one time 2,000 acres, with power to sell, mortgage, lease, or otherwise dispose of the same or any part thereof, and to work mine, transport to market and vend the coal and other minerals contained in said lands. The provisions of the 16th section of an act regulating railroad companies, approved Feb. 19, '49, are extended to any railroad or other property owned by the company. The benefit of the 142d, 143rd and 147th sections of said act to consolidate, revise and amend the general laws of this Commonwealth, approved March 31, '60, is also included.

Mr. Wilson, a bill to incorporate the Tioga Telegraph Company.

Mr. Bothman, a bill to incorporate the Penna. Hydraulic Works. The Corporators are Saml F. Brown, J. A. W. Foster, Jos. J. Wadsworth, Joshua K. Eve, John B. Bruns, John Warren and E. W. Hutchings. The object is to construct works and lay pipes or tubes for the purpose of conveying oil through said pipes or tubes, in the county of Venango from a point on Oil Creek, on the farm of Joseph Farr, to the village of Plumer, with power to extend the same to the Allegheny river, at or near Walnut Bend.

Mr. Connell, a supplement to an act changing the venue in a certain case from Beaver to Washington county, approved Feb. 18, '63. It provides that any and every indictment or proceeding against Eliza H. Barker, Margaret Jones, Eliza B. Croft, Jane Barker, James Barker, or either of them, arising out of the alleged complicity of them, or either of them, in the escape of E. F. Sheets, from the jail of Beaver county, in October last, which may at any time be preferred or found in the Court of Oyer and Terminer, or the Court of Quarter Session of Beaver county, shall be transferred to the Court of Oyer and Terminer of Washington county for trial, etc.

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There are eight sections in the bill.

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The bill to accept the grant of the public lands by the United States to the several States for the endowment of Agricultural Colleges was passed. B.

The Negroes no Burden.

The Superintendent of the 500 contrabands who recently arrived at St. Louis, in a published card shows that they are far from being a burden to the community. He gives the following account of their disposal within a week of their arrival: "I had five hundred contrabands in charge at first, and up to yesterday morning I had received applications for 2,300, and about 1,500 of these calls came from St. Louis and the State of Missouri. Nearly 200 persons have been called for by citizens from Illinois, of various political opinions, who said they needed hands to labor, and must have them. Those who obtained passes to cross the river, and in families are now telling on free soil. Over 100 have gone to Iowa, and others will doubtless follow those who have gone before. Two hundred and fifty more from Helena, arrived on the Emma, Sunday, in charge of a Federal officer, 190 of whom were forwarded on boats to Keokuk."

THE LATEST NEWS

BY TELEGRAPH

FROM WASHINGTON.

OUR SPECIAL DISPATCHES.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

WASHINGTON, March 24, 1863.

THE RECENT NAVAL ACTION AT FORT HUDSON.

There is reason to believe that the recent naval action at Port Hudson, and running the batteries by Com. Farragut's fleet, were in obedience to orders from the Department here to proceed up the river, at all hazards, and recapture the Indianola.

THE EXECUTION OF SEVEN ORIGINS BY THE REBELS AS SPIES.

Judge Advocate General Holt took depositions to-day of the released prisoners, belonging to Ohio regiments, touching the execution as spies, of seven of their number, who were captured while on a special expedition, (sent by General Mitchell,) into Northern and central Georgia. Extreme barbarities attended some of these executions. The evidence taken to-day will be made the basis of the representations to the rebel Government, or possibly of retaliation.

THE CONSCRIPTION LAW IN OHIO.

It is stated that Gov. Tod's recent visit here was occasioned by the belief in the existence of an organization in Ohio to resist the enforcement of the conscription law. It is understood that measures will be taken to back up the Provost Marshals with military force to any extent desired.

WEST VIRGINIA.

West Virginians anticipate the possibility of rebel raids between this and next Thursday, the day when they are to vote on the acceptance of the terms on which to enter the Union as a new State, with the purpose of interfering with the election. It is not possible, however, that anything serious can be accomplished.

FROM THE MISSISSIPPI.

Advices have been received that Com. Porter's flat turreted monitor, on which the rebels opened such a furious fire, proved a great success for us, causing the bursting of seven of the rebels large guns, and wounding thereby quite a number of officers and men.

NEGRO SOLDIERS.

The enemies of the policy of arming negroes begin to acknowledge that the expedition of the 1st S. Carolina Regiment into Florida has already given the lie to their predictions of promiscuous rapine and murder, and has developed a soldierly quality.

GREAT DEMAND FOR THE 5 20'S.

The demand for the 5.20's continues enormous, and $1,200,000 was taken to-day. There is no longer any doubt of Secretary Chase's brilliant success in providing for all the present exigencies of the treasury.

THE REBELS FALLING BACK.

The belief grows stronger here that the rebels are preparing to fall back from Fredericksburg as Hooker advances, if not to retire from Richmond itself, which begins to be talked of as possible.

SECESH NEWS.

The government has information that leading rebels, including men as prominent in their government as Judah P. Benjamin, are converting their available property into foreign exchange.

THE TAX ON VESSELS.

The Commissioner of Internal Revenue has decided that the two per cent. tax, imposed by the amendatory act on vessels, applies only to those whose keels are laid after March 3d, when the act was passed.

FOREIGN DISPATCHES.

Secretary Seward is said to have received important foreign dispatches to-day, which were made the subject of Cabinet speculations.

DESERTERS.

Arrangements are being made at the Provost Marshal General's office for the speedy enforcement of the regulations respecting the arrest and return of deserters.

WASHINGTON, March 24.—Gov. Curtin, accompanied by Col. Pulcston, left here this evening for the Army of the Potomac, on business connected with the Pennsylvania troops.

It is understood in military circles that General Curtis will remain in charge of the Department of the Missouri.

Senator Ramsey will return to Minnesota during the next ten days, when he will formally resign the Governorship of that State.

Surgeon J. R. Smith has, by order of Surgeon General Hammond, addressed a letter to Medical Director Abbott, directing him to take the necessary measures to cause the transfer to the General Hospitals nearest to their homes, of all sick and wounded soldiers who have been sick for three months and upwards, and who are in a fit state to bear such transportation. These transfers are to be made in detachments of about fifty, under the charge of proper officers, and with due attention to the welfare of the sick, thus transferred.

The screw sloop Nassau *Gazette*, in its recent summary of news from Charleston, mistakes in saying that the Flambeau, under flag of truce, delivered a letter from Lord Lyons to the commander of the British steamer Petrel, containing instructions to proceed to Washington.

The screw sloop Assipee, for some weeks at the Washington Navy Yard, is now in fine sea condition. The alteration of her machinery having just been thoroughly and satisfactorily tested.

From Port au Prince.

PHILADELPHIA, March 24.—Arrived: bark Alohean, from Port au Prince, with dates to March 2d. Off Nicola Mole she was boarded by the British gunboat Plover, who overhauled the ships papers and left her go on. March 2d she was boarded by a boat abreast of Junger, which gave her the information received by the British revenue cutter, that the privateer Retribution was in Crooked Island passage and had taken several American vessels, run them ashore on Long Island, discharged their cargoes, and had sold part of a cargo to the merchants on Fortune Island, and chartered and loaded a schooner with salt to run the blockade.

March 11th, latitude 31-48, long. 74-50, she passed a small schooner bound South, painted white, its masts down, having her decks crowded with men, all in blue clothing and white caps. She supposed her to be a privateer. After coming in sight of the American, all the men except three went below, and the schooner proceeded on her course.

Reported Opening of Another Canal to Gain Access to Yazoo City.

CAIRO, March 24.—The Memphis papers, of Sunday, report that another canal, or cut-off, is being opened from the Mississippi, fifty miles below Helena, into Deer river, Washington Lake, and into Sunflower river, by which to gain access to Yazoo city and Haines' Bluff.

They also report that two of Farragut's gunboats had reached the lower mouth of the Vicksburg canal.

One small boat passed into Lake Providence. Water is rushing into the lake at a rapid rate.

The Federal force at Greenwood are still held in check by the rebel battery.

From Kansas City.

KANSAS CITY, March 24.—A gentleman just from Santa Fe states that a large body of Indians—Camanches, Navajoes, Pueblo and other tribes—returned from an expedition to Texas, where they captured six hundred horses and a large number of cattle. They destroyed much property and killed many Texans.

A Skirmish with Guerrillas.

KANSAS CITY, March 23.—On Sunday morning, a scout of forty men, of the 5th Cavalry, come upon Quantrill's guerrillas, two or three hundred strong, near Blue Springs, where a short skirmish ensued. Our forces retreated, losing nine killed, several wounded, and five missing. The rebel loss unknown.

Missouri Legislature—Reports from Vicksburg, etc.

ST. LOUIS, March 23.—The Missouri Legislature adjourned to-day without providing for a new State Convention: The Governor will probably call the old Convention together, however, and consider and perhaps perfect some plan of emancipation in the State.

Mr. Claybank, of the conservative wing of the emancipation party, nominated Oliver Dwiley for Mayor to-day.

It is not known yet whether the Democrats will nominate a ticket.

The *Democrat's* specials from below of the 19th says the rebels continued shelling the canal at Vicksburg, retarding the prosecution of the work somewhat. The river is falling and all fears of an overflow of the camping ground have subsided.

All is quiet at Greenwood. Both parties are repairing damages. Our present force there is regarded as insufficient to reduce the rebel fortifications. The levees are being cut, which it was thought would result in drowning the rebels out.

There are rumors in circulation of the evacuation of Haine's Bluffs, and that the 8th Missouri had gone up to garrison the place. If this be true, it foreshows the fall and evacuation of Vicksburg.

ST. LOUIS, March 24.—The *Democrat* learns from a gentleman just from Vicksburg that the steamer Diligent, with the Eighth Missouri, had succeeded in entering Yazoo river above Haines' bluff. Her course was through Cypress Bayou, which debouches in the Yazoo, opposite Johnson's plantation, where Sherman's troops landed last December; thence through Steele's Bayou into the Sunflower, which empties into the Yazoo, twenty miles above Haines' bluff. The Diligent was accompanied by a light gunboat. As soon as it was found possible to get through, four iron-clads followed.

Our informant also says —— thousand men had gone up before this.

Our force can thus be placed between Haines' Bluff and Yazoo City, which will enable us to operate in the rear of our former position, and bring the latter between two fires.

He also believed our fleet can navigate bayous, and enter the Yazoo above Yazoo City, by which means our gunboats can co-operate with our forces at Greenwood, and reduce Fort Pemberton, thus throwing their combined strength against Yazoo City. The flank of the rebel position being thus turned, Vicksburg will undoubtedly be evacuated.

The batteries on Haines' Bluff were built to sweep down the river, and are powerless against attack above.

The confirmation of those tidings are anxiously looked for.

From Fortress Monroe.

FORTRESS MONROE, March 23.—The following general order has been issued:

HEADQUARTERS NORFOLK, VA., March 20, 1863.

General Order, No. 8—A general court-martial is hereby appointed to meet at the City Hall, Norfolk, Va., on the 23d day of March, 1863, for the trial of such prisoners as may come before it. The following officers are detailed for the court: Lt. Van Stick, 19th Wisconsin, Judge Advocate; Capts. R. M. Strong and A. O. Rowley, of the 10th Wis., H. R. Gardner and H. H. Hewitt, of the 148th N. Y., and J. K. Faust, of the 173d Penna.; Lieuts. J. R. Clenow, of the 173d Pa., S. C. Seaman and C. E. Willard, of the 19th Wis., W. W. Gates and H. B. Brown, of the 148th N. Y. By order of E. L. Viele, Brigadier General Commanding.

J. A. LIEBMAN,
Assistant Adjutant General.

A large fleet of schooners made their departure from here this afternoon. They had taken harbor in the roads during the storm. The weather is now fine.

Some of the gunboats have been practicing with their guns at Newport News to-day. The firing caused some inquiry from the neighboring towns.

The Body of Gen. Sumner.

SYRACUSE, N. Y., March 24.—The body of Gen. Sumner was removed from his residence to the City Hall this morning, under a military escort from the 51st Regiment, and to the sound of muffled drums. His remains lay in state during the day upon a catafalque, under a canopy handsomely decorated with flowers, interspersed with flowers of mourning, and draped with flags. The massive burial case is adorned with boquets of natural flowers, entwined with the Stars and Stripes. About 20,000 people visited the hall during the day, and paid their last respects to the lamented hero. A military guard is on duty over the remains, and the body will be returned to his late residence during the night under an escort. The funeral, which will take place at 11 o'clock to-morrow morning, is expected to be the most imposing affair ever witnessed in Western or Central New York.

From New Jersey.

TRENTON, N. J., March 24.—The U. S. Circuit Court met to-day. At the suggestion of the case of Jackalow, he was directed to be discharged. The doubts about the jurisdiction of the Court and liability to obtain witnesses, was the cause of this action. It has been three years since Jackalow was first tried.

From Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, March 24.—The rebels, reported from three to ten thousand, with a much larger force following them, have taken possession of Danville. They crossed the river via Mill Springs to Somerset.

There are no rebels at Glasgow or Munfordsville, or in that section of the State.

From Boston.

BOSTON, March 24.—The old National Theatre was destroyed by fire this morning.

The steamship Europa, from Liverpool via Halifax, arrived at this port at half past six o'clock this morning. Her mail will be forwarded by the morning train.

From Port Royal and Beaufort.

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