Pittsburgh Gazette

THURSDAY MORNING, AUG. 20.

CITY AFFAIRS.

OFFICIAL PAPER OF THE CITY.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS for the Gazette, by G. E. Shaw, Optician, No. 65 Fifth street—corrected daily:

	IN SUN.	IN SHADE.
9 o'clock, A. M.	90	69
12 " M.	110	83
6 " P. M.		85
Barometer		29 7-10

County Union Executive Committee.

The County Union Executive Committee met at 10 o'clock this morning; present Messrs. O'Neil, Schoyer, Gang, Bravo, Palmer, J. K. Brown, Mackrell, Dickson, Ferguson, Stewart, Negley, Perry and A. M. Brown, President.

The minutes of last meeting were read and approved.

On motion, the names of A. M'Tighe and Arthur Robison were added to the Committee.

A motion was made and carried that the resolution naming seven members as a quorum, be rescinded.

On motion, five members were ordered to constitute a quorum for the transaction of all business.

Mr. Schoyer moved that a new Convention be called for the purpose of nominating a candidate for Sheriff.

Mr. J. K. Brown moved to amend the motion so that the old Convention be recalled.

The amendment was carried.

A motion was made that the old Convention be called to meet on Thursday, Sept. 3d, 1863, at 10 o'clock. Carried.

On motion, Thursday night, Sept. 24, was fixed as the time for holding a mass meeting.

A Vigilance Committee of five for each election district was appointed.

D. B. Ferguson was added to the committee of Speakers.

Adjourned until Saturday morning at ten o'clock.

Charged with Harboring a Deserter.

Thomas Cowhan, of this city, was before United States Commissioner Bailey, this morning, charged with harboring Jas. O'Connell, a deserter from the United States army.

Mrs. Eliza O'Connell testified that O'Connell was in the Sixth Cavalry; that he had enlisted when it was first raised in town a couple of years ago; that he came home on account of ill health; could not say whether he had been discharged; he staid at Cowhan's house from May till four or five days ago; Cowhan was acquainted with him before he went into the army, and had known him in Washington county; Cowhan, who gave himself up to the authorities, also has a son in the same regiment, well acquainted with O'Connell. His son was home about last May or June. At that time, Cowhan said to his son that he was afraid the son would drink too much, and let out that O'Connell was a deserter.

Capt. Griffith, of the Provost Guard, testified that one evening last week Cowhan came down and informed him there was a deserter in the Third ward. Two men were detailed to go with him to arrest the deserter. The man was pointed out by Cowhan and brought to the office, when the man denied that he was a deserter—was not in the United States service. In the morning O'Connell owned up that he was a deserter from Co. M, 6th regiment U. S. Cavalry. He was dressed in citizens' clothes. There was nothing about him to indicate that he was a deserter.

Cowhan was bound over in $1,000 bail to appear at the next term of Court.

Two Men and two Horses Drowned.

On Wednesday afternoon, about 1 o'clock, a sad accident occurred on the Allegheny river, at Natrona, about two miles above Tarentum, resulting in the drowning of two men named Wm. Bock and Hugh McClure, together with the horses they were riding. The men were towing a flat from this city to Franklin, loaded with empty oil barrels. They had got as far as Natrona, where the channel strikes across the river, and in attempting to follow the proper channel they unfortunately got too high up, and before they were aware of their danger their horses were floundering in a deep hole. The weight of the boat upon the line, and the weight of the men upon the horses, rendered it impossible for them to swim out, and they sunk, carrying the men down with them. A desperate struggle for life ensued, but it was very short—and both men and animals soon sunk from sight.

The deceased were both married men, and resided in the vicinity of Johnston Station, on the Allegheny Valley Railroad. Their bodies had not been recovered at six o'clock in the evening, although vigorous efforts were being made to secure them. Mr. Bigley lost a boy by drowning, in the same way, about four weeks ago. The horses which were drowned belonged to him.

Curry's Normal Institute, Nos. 52 and 54 St. Clair Street, Pittsburgh.

The next session of this institution will open on the first Monday of September, and end on Thursday, the 24th day of December, thus closing in time for the winter holidays.

The Faculty is composed of Prof. B. Curry, A. M., Principal; Miss M. A. Woodburn, Assistant; Lucius Osgood, Professor of Reading and Elocution; W. H. Slack, Professor of Vocal Music, and a Professor of Penmanship and Book-Keeping. The scope of studies is arranged with special reference to the requirements of the School Law, hence the regular course will embrace a critical study of all the branches required on the Professional Certificate, including Philosophic Analysis, Phonography, Intellectual and Moral Science, Constitution of the United States, and Theory of Teaching. Special classes will be formed for the study of the Higher Branches. Arrangements have also been made with that distinguished American Elocutionist, Prof. Robert Kidd, by which he is to give, during the winter term, a complete course of lessons in Vocal Culture, Elocution, Calisthenics and other Gymnastic exercises for the use of schools.—Price of tuition for regular course, in advance, $10.

A PROMENADE.—A soldier named Opdyke, of Tostoria, Ohio, belonging to the 123d Ohio regiment, arrived in this city yesterday afternoon from Annapolis, Md., where he had been in a convalescent camp. He started on the 3d ult. of which month, and walked all the way to the city passenger railway station, a few miles out of town, where he got on a car. He was sent back to Annapolis last night.

LOVE IN SCORCH ROVER.—Remember the sale this afternoon, on the premises, at Hazlewood Station. A special train will leave the depot of the Connellsville Railroad, foot of Ross street, at a quarter past one o'clock precisely, for free conveyance of all to the sale. The lots contain about a half an acre each, handsomely situated between the railroad and river.

SIXTH WARD COUNCIL UNION LEAGUE.—An open meeting, under the supervision of the Sixth Ward Council, will be held this evening at 8 o'clock, in Asbury Chapel, Penny Pike Avenue. As the Committee of Arrangements have secured distinguished speakers for the occasion, a full attendance of the public is earnestly desired.

KILLED.—A day or two since, near Gallitzin, a brakesman, named James Hanlin, was instantly killed by being run over by the cars. He was on top of the train when the coupling gave way, and precipitated him upon the track. He was making his first trip as brakesman, and was but lately returned from nine months' service in the army.

ACCIDENT.—A man named Samuel Wilson, who resides near Latrobe, Westmoreland county, a brakesman on the railroad, was injured near Wilmore, on Tuesday last, by slipping from the platform of a car upon the track in such a manner that the cars passed over one of his legs. He was brought to Johnstown, and the wounded member amputated below the knee.

DEATH FROM LOCK-JAW.—Lilly McElroy, the little girl whose death has just been announced in the papers, died from tetanus, caused by running a splinter into her foot, causing a bucket of water at the Duquesne engine house.

GODEY'S LADY'S BOOK.—The September number of *Godey* is out, and its fair readers can supply themselves with copies at W. A. Gildenhorney's, 45 Fifth street.

Our Foreign Table.

IMPRESSIONS AND EXPERIENCES, Sketches of English Scenery and Society. By A. Cleveland Coxe, Rector of Grace Church, Baltimore. Fifth Edition. Philadelphia: J. B. Lippincott & Co. 1863. Pittsburgh: for sale by Kay & Co., 65 Wood street. 321 pp. 12mo. Price $1.

To a book which has attained to its fifth edition, it would perhaps be absurd to deny the possession of some meritorious quality, no matter what the subject might happen to be; but in the case of a book of travel, such high favor with the public must be regarded as stamping it with a mark of no ordinary merit. For our own part, we have looked into many parts of Mr. Coxe's volume with greatest interest, and we have always found him an appreciative and scholarly guide, in leading us to contemplate the wonders and wealth of the past in its manifold monuments, sacred and secular, edifices of granite or marble, and still more imperishable institutions, traditions and usages, which are found in the old world. Possibly some readers might consider Mr. Coxe as too demonstrative in the expression of his peculiar religious views and predilections; —possibly a few might be found so sensitive on this point, as to regard the frequency with which Mr. Coxe expresses these as in bad taste, to say the least; but the very liability to this fault, if it is one after all, arises from the fact that Mr. Coxe has just such sympathies as would best qualify him to travel in England, and to appreciate and describe with effect, because conscious, the aspects of society presented to him, as well as the historic and legendary 'pomp and garniture' of venerable cathedrals, abbeys, colleges, manorial halls, etc., etc. The book is well printed on good paper,—and will certainly win and hold the attention and interest of such a reader as Sterne has described, almost anywhere one may chance to open it.

A Question for Physicians.

LAWRENCEVILLE, Aug. 19, 1863.

A year ago a professor in the college at Danville, Ky., wrote in surprise home that the rebel dead on the battle-field turned *black* while ours generally remained *white*.

A nephew of mine, from Tennessee, repeated the same thing. I asked an undertaker, of this city, who told me that *nearly always* the rebel dead turned black sooner than our men in Virginia. I then wrote to my son, who stated that on the field of Gettysburg the rebel dead were blacker and burst sooner than our men. This moment I received a letter from an officer in Tennessee, who thus writes: "I told you that I would keep in mind the matter when I returned to the field, and endeavor to see for myself a confirmation of so curious a statement, for I could not believe that such was the *rule*, though why the exception I could not imagine. Your son, and your friend, the undertaker, tell you this from the East, and I, nearly a thousand miles west of them, corroborate their statements. While conversing with some officers, the other evening, I introduced the subject. *All* bore witness to the curious fact. They were disposed to attribute it to *whisky*. They said that independently of their uniforms, the rebel dead were distinguished by being black dead—*officers* oftentimes remaining white."

My friend offers the solution—that our men use more *salt*. A brother of one of the editors bears this communication, and can testify to the character of the informants. What is the solution will the doctors give to the fact that in Virginia, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Kentucky, upon the same battle-fields, our dead are white—the rebels black, as a general thing. R. L.

COMMISSIONED.—Wm. W. Fullwood, late of the 102d Regiment, has been commissioned as First Lieutenant in the Invalid Corps, and ordered to report to the Provost Marshal General at Washington.

VINEGAR MANUFACTURED FROM CORN.—A manufactory has been established in Philadelphia where they make vinegar from Indian Corn. The article can be produced cheaper than any other kind of vinegar.

WATERMELONS are coming into the market quite freely. The "Oil City" brought up eleven hundred yesterday, from Wheeling, which were sold to dealers at prices ranging from twenty-five to fifty cents each.

THE DEMOCRATS will hold their primary elections on Saturday next, and the Convention to nominate a county ticket will be held on the following Wednesday.

SPECIAL LOCAL NOTICES.

GROVER AND BAKER'S SEWING MACHINES, for family and manufacturing purposes, are the best in use.

A. P. CHANCEY, General Agent.
No. 18, Fifth street.

THOMAS PARRY, Plain and Ornamental Slate Roofer, and dealer in Pennsylvania and Vermont slate of the best quality at low rates. Office at Alex. Loughlin's, near the Water Works, Pittsburgh, Pa apr8:6m

CLOSING OUT HIS ENTIRE STOCK AT COST.—Sam'l Graham, merchant tailor, is selling off his Spring and Summer stock of goods at cost. They consist of all the latest styles of cloths, cassimeres and vestings, of which he is prepared to make up in the most fashionable manner, and at cost prices. The public should not neglect to avail themselves of this rare chance and save money by giving him an early call.

Also, a large assortment of plain and fancy cassimeres, well adapted for boys' wear, which he will sell by the piece far below cost. Mothers should not neglect to call early.

SAM'L GRAHAM, Merchant Tailor,
No. 54 Market street.

ATTENTION, RETURNED VOLUNTEERS.—The attention of our country's brave defenders recently returned from the seat of war, and of the public in general, is again directed to the very extensive and fashionable assortment of the latest styles of French, English and American piece goods, for pants, coats and vests, lately received by Messrs. John Weier & Co., Merchant Tailors, No. 126 Federal street, Allegheny. A tasteful selection of gentlemen's furnishing goods will also always be found on the shelves of the establishment, together with a lot of ready-made clothing, got up in the best manner.

NEW ARRIVAL OF SUMMER CLOTHING.—Often we are asked, where can we buy a neat and comfortable summer suit, made to order, thus having the chance of selecting our own goods? To all these inquiries we can answer go to Messrs. W. H. McGee & Co., corner of Federal street and Diamond Square, Allegheny, and you will be suited according to your taste. They have just received their summer goods, and for elegance of styles they cannot be surpassed, and for fitness they are the very persons, as their work is all done under their own supervision. Give them a call, and you cannot fail to be satisfied.

CHEAP DENTISTRY.—At the Dental Institute, No. 251, Penn street, sets of teeth for four dollars, better than those at five dollars at the other dental establishments. All persons are requested to call at the Institute after having ascertained the lowest prices at the other cheap places. All work done at the Institute is guaranteed superior to any cheap Dentistry in the city.

TRUTH STRANGER THAN FICTION.—Rev. H. V. Degen, Boston, Mass., writes—"That Mrs. S. A. Allen's World's Hair Restorer and Zylobalsamum promote the growth of the hair where baldness has commenced, I have the evidence of my own eyes." Sold by Druggists every where. Depot, 198 Greenwich st., New York. dew

SOLDIERS, ATTENTION!—Pain, disease and exposure, with a hot climate, muddy water and bad diet will be unavoidable, but armed with HOLLOWAY'S PURIFYING AND STRENGTHENING PILLS you can endure all these and still retain good health. Only 25 cents per box. 2:0

NOTICE TO PROPERTY HOLDERS, AGENTS AND ALL OTHERS INTERESTED.—For repairs or alterations to stores or dwellings, new roofs, or anything else in the Carpenter line, call at Gunther's Carpenter Shop, Virgin alley, above Smithfield street. All orders promptly attended to.

WESTERN UNIVERSITY.—The fall term of this institution will commence on Tuesday, the 1st day of September next. For particulars see catalogue, to be had at any of the bookstores in the city.

Aug. 19th, 1863. sod:2w

OBITUARIES and CARRIAGE CARDS will be taken at the Dispatch office, No. 485 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.

G. BELL, Painter, 226 Penn street, attend to all business of his profession.

For the Pittsburgh Gazette.

Editors Gazette—In your editorial column of this morning, in an article entitled "Judge Lowrie and the Draft," based upon a report in the local papers, of the case of John T. Carney, a drafted soldier from Indiana county, who was discharged by Judge Lowrie on a *habeas corpus*, you say: "The report states that Mr. Carnahan, the District Attorney, asked leave to amend the answer by alleging that the party was in the custody of the United States authorities, and that the State Courts had, therefore, no jurisdiction *over* the matter. This was in strict accordance with what we understand to be the ruling in the Booth case, but for some reason or other, which is not explained, that point was afterwards withdrawn and *the discharge followed of course, as might have been expected.*" In another part of the same article you express your surprise "that the District Attorney should have waived an objection so essential to the preservation of the peace of the North, and the successful issue of the war in check-mating the designs of the conspirators."

I have no wish to enter upon a public discussion of the question of the jurisdiction of the State Courts, in cases where the party seeking to be discharged is held under color of United States authority, but is not charged with crime, civil or military, nor held for such cause of detention. It is sufficient to say that the State Courts of Pennsylvania (and the same is probably true of the courts of other States) have from the time of the establishment of the federal government to the present day, claimed and exercised jurisdiction in such cases concurrently with the United States Courts. A recent order of the War Department, dated July 1st, 1863, "published for the information and guidance of all officers of the Bureau," after reciting the 7th section of the Act of Congress of 3d March, 1863, making it the duty of the Provost Marshals, "*to arrest all deserters, whether regulars, volunteers, militia men*, or persons called into the *service under this or any other act of Congress*, wherever they may be found, and to send them to the nearest military commander or military post," the Provost Marshal is not at liberty to disregard that process. "It is the duty of the marshal or other person having custody of the *prisoner* to make known to the Judge or Court, by a proper return, the authority by which he holds him in custody. But after this return is made, and the State Judge or Court judicially apprised that the party is in custody, under the authority of the United States, they can proceed no further."

Had Jas. T. Carney been charged with desertion or other crime against the United States, and held for such cause of desertion, such a return would not have been made, and he would not have been produced before Judge Lowrie in response to the requirement of his writ. But he was *not a deserter*, nor charged with any crime. He claimed that he had been exempted from the draft for physical disability by the Board of Enrolment, and produced their certificate of exemption. The validity of the conscription act was in no way drawn in question. The simple question was had John T. Carney been exempted? Our State Courts have been for a quarter of a century exercising jurisdiction without question, in cases of enlisted soldiers, who sought to be discharged from the military service of the United States on the ground of minority; and many have been discharged on the ground that the enlistment of minors is void. I was unable to see anything in Carney's case which distinguished it in principle from these cases.

R. B. CARNAHAN,
U. S. District Attorney.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

OFFICE OF WESTERN TRANSPORTATION CO., Pittsburgh, May 20th, 1863.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to the Subscribers to the Stock of the Western Transportation Company that an instalment of Fifty Dollars (50 00) per share has been levied upon the stock subscribed, payable at the office of the Treasurer, at Pittsburgh, on or before the 15th day of June, inst., and a like amount every thirty days thereafter, until otherwise notified

By order of the Board
A. M. DONALD, Secretary.

NOTICE.—A Special Meeting of the PLANTERS' UNION ASSOCIATION will be held on THURSDAY EVENING, Aug. 20th, at the regular place of meeting. A large attendance is solicited, as business of importance will be transacted.

A MEETING OF THE CONTRIBUTORS AND GUARANTORS to the fund for the payment of Departmental Troops, for service in the Department of the Monongahela, will be held at the Bank of Pittsburgh, on THURSDAY, 20th instant, at 3 o'clock p. m.

aul8:2t WM. BAKEWELL, Chairman.

NOTICE.—PITTSBURGH GYMNASTIC ASSOCIATION.—The members claiming the Private Boxes in the Dressing Room of the association are hereby notified to memorialize their claims to the Secretary before the FIRST OF SEPTEMBER, or they will be sold for the benefit of the Association.

By order of the Board of Managers.
aul8:2t JOHN HANLEY, Secretary.

ELECTION NOTICE.—An Election will be held at the Board of Trade Rooms, in the City of Pittsburgh, on TUESDAY, the 25th day of August next, at 10 o'clock A. M., to elect Seven Directors of the Pittsburgh Grain Elevator Company, to serve for the ensuing year.

FRANCIS H. CAMPBELL, WM. RIDDLE,
W. MCCLURKAN, and others,
jy24:td Corporators.

TAKE NOTICE.—$62 BOUNTY is offered to men who have served as Soldiers for a term not less than nine months, with choice of Regiment or Company.

For further information inquire at No. 76 Fifth street, Pittsburgh.
A. B. RICHARD,
1st Lieut. 9th Regiment P. R. V. C.
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MILITARY NOTICES.

PROVOST MARSHAL'S OFFICE,
22d DISTRICT OF PENNA.,
59 Fourth St., Pittsburgh, August 19, 1863.

EXEMPTED FROM DRAFT.—In accordance with orders, I publish the following list of persons exempted from draft by the Board of Enrollment in this District, to this date, with the reasons of their exemption:

LIST OF PERSONS BY FURNISHING ACCEPTABLE SUBSTITUTES

Name.	Residence.	Substitute
Morris Strong,	Ninth ward,	Frank Buncher

PAID THREE HUNDRED DOLLARS.

John K Davidson, Lawrenceville.
Ephraim Davis, Ninth Ward.
Sebastian Smith, South Pittsburgh.
Isaac Matthew Carroll, Temperanceville.
A S Milligan, Wilkins township.
James A. Suter, Lawrenceville.
James Hamilton, Monongahela borough.
Chas W Smith, Peebles township.
John Drummond, Ninth Ward.
Lewis List, Lawrenceville.
Wm Henry Grimes, Monongahela borough.
Francis Reibling, Lawrenceville.

EXAMINED BY BOARD AND REJECTED.

Henry Hisner, Sixth Ward; varicocele and sprained toe.
Wesley Lawton—Temperanceville; institution of lungs, varicocele, ulcer of left leg.
Max Leinkus, Monongahela borough; loss of teeth.
John Sweeny, Monongahela borough; femoral hernia, right side.
Wm. S Beck, Mon. Bor., epilepsy—cert. of Surgeon Gen. King and Dr. Coffey.
Samuel Pickenpine, Temperanceville; femoral hernia, right side.
John S. Irwin, Peebles tp., loss of teeth.
Wm. Floyd, South Pittsburgh; femoral hernia, left side.
Joseph Hurley, South Pittsburgh; femoral hernia, left side.
Robt. McDonald, South Pittsburgh; old and unreduced internal hemorrhoids.
Lawrence Hammas, South Pittsburgh; deficient stature and inguinal hernia.
August Wimmler, South Pittsburgh; inguinal hernia left side.
Joseph Phillips, South Pittsburgh; permanent contraction of fore-finger of right hand.
Frank hart, Co. A, 102d Pa. Vols. chronic ulcers of both legs, wounded at Malvern Hill 6.
Thos. Neely, South Pittsburgh; defective teeth and acute rheumatism.

CONSTITUTIONAL DEFECTS OF AGE.

Henry Harte, Temperanceville, over 35 and married. Witnesses—F. W. Adamy, Michael Steinbechen.
Charles A. M'Tally, Fifth ward, under 20. Witnesses—Mother and Family Record.
Patrick Cunningham, South Pittsburgh, over 35 and married. Witnesses—James M'Kerrie, John Cunningham.
James Walsh, South Pittsburgh, over 35 and married. Witnesses—Joseph Corbett, Patrick J. Welch.
William Thomas, South Pittsburgh, over 35 and married. Witnesses—Jacob Joseph, Thomas Williams.

ONLY SON OF A WIDOW.

John Zeitler, Monongahela Borough. Witnesses—Isaac Wickstein, Jacob Steinbiger.
Jas. Hennon, (enrolled Herman) Temperanceville. Witnesses—James M'Donald, And. M'Clelland.
Thomas Cassidy, South Pittsburgh. Witnesses—Daniel Crelin, Edward Kelly.

ONLY SUPPORT OF CHILDREN UNDER TWELVE YEARS.

John Jackson, South Pittsburgh. Witnesses—H. B. Williamson, Benj. Pulgrum.

ALIENS WHO HAVE NOT DECLARED INTENTIONS.

David Lloyd, Monongahela. Witnesses—Richard Perry, Samuel Wilson.
Thomas Thomas, South Pittsburgh. Witnesses—Wm. Thomas Wm Sheargold.
Thomas S Jones, South Pittsburgh. Witnesses—Thomas Thomas, Evan S. Jones.
Ferrt and Mesrch, South Pittsburgh. Witnesses—Frank Schlomp, Frank Gorg.
Joseph Werner, South Pittsburgh. Witnesses—Gustavus Kantzman, John Smith.
Wm. Matthews, South Pittsburgh. Witnesses—John Dorn, Michael Dorn.

J. HERON FOSTER,
Capt. and Provost Marshal, 22d Dist. Pa.
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THE LATEST NEWS
BY TELEGRAPH.

OUR SPECIAL DISPATCHES.

FROM WASHINGTON.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19, 1863.

FROM CHARLESTON.

The Government has received a dispatch from Charleston, via Fortress Monroe, this morning, to the effect that on Friday and Saturday the bombardment was terrific. The action of the sea was so great on Sunday that the gunboats could not co-operate with the land batteries with any good result. On Monday it was expected that the sea would be smooth enough to enable the ironclads to join in a grand attack. This dispatch says nothing about the rumor brought by Fulton of the evacuation of Sumter, but it states that there was a report that Gen. Gilmore had succeeded in reaching the city of Charleston with one of his long range guns, and had actually thrown shot into the city to such an extent as to call forth a flag of truce from Beauregard on the subject.

WITHOUT FOUNDATION.

The rumors of rebel cavalry raids and flank movements on the Rapidan, published in the eastern papers, are without foundation.

Nothing worthy of note, beyond some artillery practice yesterday, has transpired for several days. With the exception of the reduction of baggage in Meade's army, there are no indications of important movements by either.

INTRODUCED TO THE PRESIDENT.

We understand that Count Nicholas Georgiwas, to-day, introduced to the President by Acting Secretary of State, and delivered his credentials, and was received as Minister resident of his Majesty, the Emperor of Austria.

PROFESSOR SUGGES,

Of New York, goes to Europe by the next steamer as an accredited agent of the Government. His mission has a special object of bringing before the European people, in an intelligible manner, the resources of the agricultural and mechanical advantages of the North-West. He goes supplied with maps, specifics, books, and everything necessary to furnish information on the subject.

RELEASED

Hendrick, Ballanan, Bing, Kinzinger, Riden and Cunningham, sentenced to death by court-martial, for bushwhacking at Columbus, Missouri, have been released from arrest by order of the Secretary of War, the finding of the court being irregular.

TRIAL OF A SPY.

The trial of Cosrelon, the spy, is now in progress in this city. He was arrested within our lines last March, near Falmouth, with rebel passes and other evidence of guilt upon him. He admits having passed through our lines to Richmond and back eight times.

REBEL PRISONERS.

Several hundred prisoners of war left Baltimore yesterday for Point Lookout, Maryland, where they will be confined until our government is notified of the willingness of the rebels to recognize the cartel, which would cause a speedy exchange of all prisoners as fast as they accumulate.

APPOINTMENT OF EXAMINING SURGEONS.

The Commissioner of Pensions to-day made the following appointment of examining surgeons: Dr. Thos. J. Kittridge Keene, N. H.; Dr. John B. Mitchell, Bolivaria, Pa.

NATIONAL BANKS AUTHORIZED.

The first National Bank of Lyons, Iowa—capital, $50,000—and at Columbia, Missouri—capital, $100,000—have been authorized.

INCREASE OF PAYMASTERS.

After this month a paymaster will be assigned to each brigade in the United States service.

PENSIONS GRANTED IN JULY.

The following is the number of pensions granted during the month of July: Invalids, 1,045; widows, 799; total, 1,835.

ORDERED TO REPORT AT PITTSBURGH.

Assistant Surgeon Winne, U. S. A., has been ordered to report at Pittsburgh, Pa.

From Fortress Monroe.

FORTRESS MONROE, Aug. 18.—Capt. Hodgkiss, commander of the gunboat Gen. Putnam, and 15 men who were killed yesterday morning by guerrillas on the Pamunkey river.

Two brothers have just arrived here from Richmond. They were residents of Beaufort, N. C., which place they left in May last. They were arrested for being Unionists, sent to Richmond and incarcerated in Castle Thunder, where they remained till July 25. They were then conscripted by order of Confederate State Attorney Ayleit and taken to Camp Lee, where they remained nine days, when they succeeded in making their escape, and came down the Peninsula. They report that most of the fortifications around Richmond have no guns mounted and they saw none to mount.

The rebel forces were very limited in numbers in and about Richmond. Jenkins' brigade mustered 3,500 men, who were sometimes in Richmond and sometimes in North Carolina. Gen. Wise was near Richmond, and he has not over 800 men in his command.

Gen. Lee's men are deserting him by hundreds and companies at a time.

Conservative Meeting at Rochester, New York.

ROCHESTER, N. Y., Aug. 19.—The conservatives met at the Osborne House at 10 o'clock, H. H. Wood, of Wis., presiding, for the purpose of hearing a report of the Business Committee. It was resolved to continue the session with closed doors; and also to issue a series of resolutions instead of an address. A National Committee was selected and E. F. Stevens appointed Secretary, but as several of the gentlemen named for the Committee have not been consulted, it was determined not to announce the committee until they had been notified of their selection, and their acceptance or declination was received by the Secretary. The business of the meeting being concluded, a recess was ordered. Ex-Governor Hunt was invited to sit in counsel with the members. This interview was conducted with closed doors, and at its conclusion the meeting adjourned *sine die*. The number of members present did not exceed 30.

From Louisville.

LOUISVILLE, Aug. 19.—The remains of Major General Nelson, were this afternoon transferred from the Cave Hill Cemetery, to the Frankfort Railroad depot, escorted by an imposing military and civic procession, under the command of Col. Munday, for transmission to-morrow to its final resting place, at Camp Dick Robinson.

The *Herald* has a Washington dispatch, that Benj. F. Hall, late Chief Justice of Colorado Territory, has accepted the appointment of Consul at Valparaiso. This office was some time ago conferred on Ex Governor Harding, of Utah, who now takes the place vacated by Judge Hall.

Order from Gen. Grant.

CAIRO, Aug. 19.—Gen. Grant has issued orders that no persons having action or other produce, not required by the army will be allowed to bring the same to any military port within the State of Mississippi, and abandon it to the agents of the Treasury Department, to be disposed of in accordance with the regulations of the Secretary of Treasury. At those points where there's no agent the Quartermaster will receive, and at the option of the owner, and held till orders are received from the agent, or send to Memphis.

The 53d Massachusetts regiment and Colonel Kimball's 23d Connecticut, arrived to-day at Memphis.

Compliment to Hon. F. C. Shannon.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 19.—Judge Shannon, of Pittsburgh, was serenaded yesterday at Congress Hall, Cape May, by Hopkins' Band. The balcony was crowded with the distinguished guests of the Hotel. The Judge in responding to the flattering compliment, favored any political allusion, but in language replete with fervid eloquence, evinced his appreciation of honor, and expressed patriotic sentiments.

FROM PHILADELPHIA.

Special Dispatch to the Pittsburgh Gazette.

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 19, 1863.

Letters received in Philadelphia, bring news from Charleston and vicinity to the 14th inst. There is much in them, but they contain no important news. They speak of, as a certainty, the fall of Sumter, and say that should the rebels be forced to evacuate, after making arrangements to blow it up, then the stars and stripes shall float over its ruins. The rebel defences have been greatly strengthened since Charleston

The letters say that if Charleston cannot be held by the rebels, then they intend to apply the torch and burn it down.

The telegraph, this afternoon, brings intelligence up to Sunday, at which time it was thought the rebels were evacuating Fort Sumter. So far, the programme, as detailed in the letters, seem to be carried out.

A portion of the army of the Potomac appears to be moving back. It is not believed that Lee will follow.

The Alabamians and Georgians have had a fight among themselves.

The Mississippians say that the war is "played out," and that they are disgusted with it.

Gen. Rousseau, of the Army of the Cumberland, was serenaded at 10 o'clock to-night, at the Continental Hotel, by the Union League. He made a good speech that thrilled his listeners with enthusiasm and patriotism. The General leaves for the west to-morrow morning. He has fully accomplished the object of his mission to Washington.

A gentleman in the service of the country, arrived in Philadelphia this afternoon, direct from Washington, North Carolina. He says Jeff. Davis is openly denounced in the bar-rooms in that city, as a traitor to the country.

Arrival of the Steamship Sidon.

CAPE RACE, Aug. 19.—The steamship Sidon, from Liverpool, Tuesday, Aug. 11th, via Queenstown, Aug. 12th, passed Cape Race this afternoon.

The Polish question remained in *statu quo*.

The latest news via Queenstown states that it is generally asserted that Maximilian will accept the Mexican crown.

The *Times* says the rumor was current at Chatham, that, in consequence of the recent menacing news from America, the Government intends sending additional troops to British North America.

The *Times* says it should not be surprised if something arose out of the alleged proposition from Jeff. Davis to Napoleon for an offensive and defensive alliances between Mexico, under the French protection, and the Confederate States, which would be quite consistent with the late French policy. The world might look with favor on such a contingency, but absolute neutrality would be England's policy.

The *Times* looks upon the election of the Arch Duke Maximilian in Mexico as important, and says it will have a tendency to a union between France and Austria, and to a division between France and America. The Northerners must be incensed against Napoleon, and the Federals can hardly fail to come in collision with the new empire.

The *Daily News* is bitter on the French policy in Mexico, and does not believe that the Arch Duke will accept the throne.

La Patrie asserts that the Arch Duke made its acceptance dependant on the consent of the Emperor of Austria.

La France says that if he accepts, France and England will recognize him immediately and the other Powers will follow.

The Paris Bourse was dull; rentes, 67f. 15c. A Chinese telegram announces that the Japan question has been temporarily settled. The American legation had been burned.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 11.—Cotton firmer, and prices a quarter and a half pence higher. Breadstuffs dull; Flour dull, and tending downward; Wheat heavy, at from 1 to 2d. lower; Corn steady at 26s. 3d., to 26s. 6d., mixed; Provisions steady; Beef steady; Pork steady; Bacon firm; Lard quiet but steady; Sugar firmer; Coffee steady but quiet.

LONDON, Aug. 11.—Breadstuffs dull and tending downward; Sugar steady; Coffee firm; Tea quiet but steady.

LATEST.

LIVERPOOL, Aug. 12.—The Cotton market closed buoyant at Tuesdays' rates. Breadstuffs inactive, and prices for Flour and Wheat tend downward; Corn firmer; Provisions firm.

LONDON, Aug. 12.—Consols 93¼ for money

From the South West.

MEMPHIS, Aug. 17.—Selma (Alabama) papers of the 12th say that the subject of foreign intervention has ceased to be a theme of conversation.

A dispatch from Columbia pronounces the story about Price's resignation untrue. He was on White river, Ark., in command of his division.

A dispatch from Morton, Miss., Aug. 9th, says that Gen. Logan attacked the federals, 700 strong, a few days before, near Jackson, Ala., killing a large number, and capturing 200 prisoners and two pieces of artillery.

One thousand four hundred conscripts, from West Tennessee, were at Okolona awaiting arms.

No news of interest from Vicksburg.

Sherman's headquarters is near Osterhaus' old quarters, two miles from the Big Black river.

Gen. Dodge is much better. He will probably go North to recruit his health.

The Draft in New York.

NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—The draft to-day has proceeded without any demonstrations other than jolly remarks relative to the elected. The military arrangements, however, will continue to be of the most powerful character, and Gen. Canby, who commands the government forces here, is unceasing in his vigilance. Thro the measures taken by this officer, a mob could not live an hour either in New York city or Brooklyn. About one thousand names were drawn to-day. The militia are all at their armories, but will not be called upon unless private property cannot be protected by our police. The Provost Marshal and other officials are fully protected by detachments of the 37th Massachusetts, and other regiments.

Retaliation Threatened.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 19.—The following is the language of Major General Halleck to the agent for the exchange of prisoners: "It is directed that immediately on receiving official or other authentic information of the execution of Capts. Sawyer and Flynn, you will proceed to hang W. H. Lee and the other rebel officer designated, as therein above directed and that you notify Robert Ould, Esq., of said proceeding, and assure him that the government of the United States will proceed to retaliate for every similar barbarous violation of the laws of civilized war."

Death of Hon. John A. Gurley.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 19.—Hon. John A. Gurley died at his residence, near Chevioi, Hamilton county, this afternoon.

Markets by Telegraph.

NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—Cotton quiet at 67c. Flour firmer for fresh ground at $4 67@5 95 for extra State and $5 10@5 40 for R H O. Wheat receipts 91,771 and quiet; common to choice red winter $1 07@1 10 for spring, 91c@$1 15 for Milwaukee Club, $1 16@1 24 for white; red. Corn receipts 100,632 bush. and dull. Oats dull and lower at 82@87c. Pork is dull. Beef quiet. Lard steady. Whisky quiet and firm. Petroleum active and steady. Stocks irregular and generally lower; money and exchange unchanged.

NEW YORK, Aug. 19.—The market for fresh ground flour at $5 10@5 20 for Extra State, $5 15@5 40 for Extra R. H. O., $5 45@7. The trade trends market is coming quiet. Whisky steady at 49½@50c—chiefly Indianapolis. Prime wheat scarce and firm; common grades dull and heavy at $1 06@1 10 for choice spring, $1 13@1 18 for Milwaukee Club, $1 16@1 24 for Winter Red Western. Corn firm with a fair demand at 68@68½c—shipping mixed western nearly all at the latter price. Oats lower; 58@59 for Western. Beef quiet and prices are without a decided change. Pork dull and heavy. Beef dull. Bacon sides more active and firmer at 9c for western; short clear, 10c. Lard opening at 9¾@9¾c. Whisky weak at 48½@49c. Money market active and firmer at 6@7 per cent. Sterling long and dull at 159@159¾. American gold lower and opening at 35¾c. Closing weak at 34½@35c. Government stocks quiet.

CINCINNATI, Aug. 19.—Flour unchanged—the demand being quite light. Wheat firm—$1 05@1 10 for Red, $1 05@1 08 for White—large amount of that offering but wheat is injured by smut, which is not saleable within ten per cent of the quoted rates. Corn dull—Ohio unsorted and Western mixed 65@66c old, 62@63 and new. Rye held at 75c. No change in prices. 15,000 bbls old city mess pork sold at $16 75@16 87½ cash. Bacon shoulders at 8c, and 10 sacks sugar cured hams at 12½c. No change in the money market. Gold, 34@35. Exchange firm.

BALTIMORE, Aug. 19.—Flour dull—Ohio Extra, $5 75@5 87½. Wheat dull—Kentucky White, $1 10@1 15—Western steady. Corn very dull; White, 63@65c. Whisky firm at 48½c.

Long and Short Projectiles.

Since the ordnance stores in the English army and navy service have been filled with long lead-coated shot sufficient to last for several years—if they can be made to keep without deterioration from galvanic action—it is said to have been discovered that short shot are the proper thing. Lately projectiles weighing from fifty-eight to sixty-eight pounds, instead of one hundred and ten pounds, have been used, and a velocity of about sixteen hundred feet per second obtained by increasing the powder charge. This is, however, still below that of the sixty-eight pound shell, which has a velocity of one thousand eight hundred and ten feet per second, while the solid ball from the same gun has a velocity of one thousand five hundred and eighty feet per second, with the very large windage of two-tenths of an inch. A very important point, however, suggests itself here, which is whether the fine grooving will stand the strain due to the increased velocity given to the short projectile.

POLITICAL NOTICES.

UNION CONVENTION.—Pursuant to the order of the Union Executive Committee, of Allegheny county, the