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Movements of the Military.

Yesterday was one of great excitement in our city, for although no startling news was received from the seat of war, that of the three days preceding had the effect of exciting a strong feeling of patriotism in the breasts of thousands, which was manifested in military ardor. Party ties were sundered, and Republicans, Democrats, and "Conservatives," all agreed that the Government must be sustained with men and money.

As we have already stated, the newly organized Zouave company held a meeting on Friday evening, tendering their services to the Governor. Thirty-eight members were present, all of whom signified their willingness to offer and the remaining eighteen subsequently gave their assent. At least fifty members are ready to take up arms, and the company is now recruiting to the full complement. Capt. R. B. Roberts, a leading Democrat, when waited upon by a committee, stated that he would cheerfully lead them to the place of action if their services are accepted.

Col. T. A. Rowley, of the Washington Infantry, also tendered the services of his company, and having seen service in Mexico himself, will soon have his men ready. The armory was open yesterday for recruiting, and to-day the company will turn out with a martial band, inviting such as desire to join.

The Duquesne Grays tendered their services in January last, and the document is now on file in the Adjutant General's office. In Capt. David Campbell, a thorough Democrat, they have a most gallant commander, in whose hands the laurels won by the Grays in Mexico will be kept ever green. The company has advertised for recruits, young unmarried men being preferred. About forty members, have, we understand, expressed their readiness to march.

O. H. Rippey, Esq., Captain of the "Scott Legion," composed of soldiers of the Mexican war, is using active exertions to fill up the company with new recruits A number of the old members are ready to "shoulder arms" once more and do battle for the country. A meeting of the Legion is called for this evening.

Col. Wm. Trovillo, also a soldier of the Mexican war, in which he acquitted himself with distinction, is confident that he can raise a company of one hundred men. He will meet all desirous of enlisting at the Duquesne engine house this morning at eight o'clock.

The firemen have also imbibed the universal feeling, and two companies are now being organized—one by Capt. George W. Loonard, in which some fifteen are enrolled, and one by Capt. John H. Stewart, who has raised about twenty-seven men. Those joining are required to be active firemen, over twenty-one years of age. These companies will soon fill up.

A public meeting of the citizens of Lawrenceville and Hatfield has been called to assemble at Robinson's Hall, in the former borough, this evening, to organize a volunteer company to sustain the government.

The other military companies, including the Jackson Independent Blues, Negley Zouaves, Pennsylvania Zouaves, Allegheny Rifles, and Pennsylvania Dragoons, are about to recruit The Bluss offered their services long since, and the rest are ready to turn out when needed.

The "City Guards" also meet this evening, when business of importance will be considered. The services of this new company will probably be tendered.

Our volunteers will need but few arms, as they are nearly supplied, but overcoats, blankets, and camp equipage will be needed. Gen. J. S. Negley, now in Harrisburg, telegraphs that he will see them provided as early as possible.

Capt. Rowley, of the Washington Infantry, left for Harrisburg yesterday afternoon, on business connected with the volunteer service. He took letters to Gov. Curtin from Capts Campbell and Roberts.

Capts. Campbell, of the Greys, Roberts, of the Zouaves, and Rowley of the Infantry, are acting in concert, with a view to forming their companies, if accepted, into a batallion. Capt. Campbell has telegraphed to Governor Curtin, desiring him to use his influence with General Cameron, Secretary of War, and obtain, if possible his permission for our volunteer Allegheny to use the arsenal grounds at Lawrenceville as a rendezvous, where the raw recruits can have room and facilities for rapidly perfecting themselves in field drill, which is necessary before they are fit for service. The arsenal grounds afford ample scope for this purpose, while the men employed there in manufacturing equipments, &c., would not be interfered with.

Last evening the military spirit seemed to have increased in intensity tenfold. Bands of martial music paraded the streets and the armories were crowded with young men, eager to enlist under their country's banner. Over fifty new names were added to the enrolment list of the new Zouave company, thirty five to the Greys, thirty-two to the Washington Infantry. We also learned that the Pennsylvania Zouave company has been increased to one hundred and six and that Col. Trovillo's company, noticed above, has been filled up. The Pittsburgh Zouaves had so many applicants that they were obliged to close the doors of the ante-room and admit a few at a time. They now number one hundred and twenty.

A despatch was received during the evening, signed by Gov. Curtin, ordering all the military companies of Western Pennsylvania who have tendered their services and also those who desire to do so, to rendezvous at Pittsburgh, without any further delay than is necessary in reaching this point, and report themselves for the present to Brigadier General Negley.

It was also stated that a despatch had been received from an official source in Harrisburg, ordering the entire brigade to assemble at Washington city forthwith.

Rumors of companies having been accepted were also rife, but we could trace them to no reliable source.

The military spirit, strongly evinced at the mass meeting, was, if possible, increased by it, and it was generally believed last evening that Allegheny county could furnish, if necessary, five thousand men within two weeks.

All these facts are but indications of the feeling existing here, and we have every confidence that Allegheny county will not be behind any portion of the State in patriotism, or promptitude in answering the call to arms.

Oil Operations.

EXPORTS OF PETROLEUM.—Refined petroleum is now shipped in large and steadily increasing quantities, to Cuba, Central America, California, South America, Australia, Russia, and the different ports on the Mediterranean. In Australia it is worth $3 per gallon It makes its way more rapidly into these new and sparsely populated regions than into the densely settled countries of Europe although the demand for it there is on the increase. In a short time petroleum will form no small item among our staple exports to all parts of the world.

THE PENNSYLVANIA OIL COMPANY.—A bill has been read in the Legislature for the incorporation of the Pennsylvania Oil Company. The capital stock is fixed at $200,000, and the shares at twenty five dollars each.—The following named persons are authorized to receive subscriptions to the capital stock, and organize the company: A. M. Brown, Wm. M. Moffat, Joseph Read, James Sutherland, Daniel Sturgeon, David F. McKee, Wm Woods, Edward A. Aurentz, Joseph C. Curry, David Neville, Frederick Kuhnward, and James Sill

THE REDFORD WELL.—Carey & Hukok's well, on the Bingaman farm, which for several weeks refused to flow on Sunday, has fallen from grace. On Sunday before last it commenced spouting with greater vigor than ever before, and its moral character is gone.

THE HOOKER WELL.—The immense well has been "tubed" for some two weeks, undergoing repairs. It has been furnished with a new chamber and a capacity of some three hundred and fifty barrels a day

THE Captain of the new steamer Fanny M'Burney, running between Parkersburg and Cincinnati, uses petroleum for fuel with its coal: and at 25 cents per gallon is considered cheaper than to use coal alone.

THE Baltimore and Ohio Railroad uses petroleum exclusively as a substitute. They require 100 barrels a week for this purpose.

THE Youghiogheny Vesuvius Oil Company (the organization of which gave us a fortune issue,) are busily engaged in boarding on their claim at the mouth of Mill Creek, Virginia, (opposite Bonaparte Ferry,) and "tubing" a good well, of great promise. They have struck oil forty three feet before they came to rock, and are now down some ninety or a hundred feet from the surface, and sinking at the rate of eight feet per day They are boring by hand with the double leavers. Oil was brought up in their sand pump when at a depth of seventy feet. They are very sanguine of success.

The Venango *Spectator* has the following items:

A. D. Smiley, at the mouth of Hemlock, has a good well which was pumping on Friday last at the rate of 100 barrels in 24 hours. Another well on the same lot, not yet tubed, is thought to be as good as the Smiley well.

A strike was made on the M'Cray farm on the 1st inst., which it is supposed is a rich one as well.

McDowell & Co., on the Hyser farm, have a good show at the depth of 200 feet.

THE following relate to the Thompson district:

S. H. Hasler resumed boring work before last and struck a small vein at a depth of 250 feet—making the second vein in this well.

Moore & Co., on their Sawyer place struck another vein last week, at a depth of over 200 conductor some eight barrels of oil.

Presentation to Col. Jno. L. Dunn, the Retiring Postmaster—Complimentary Banquet.

On Saturday evening last our late excellent Postmaster, Jno. L. Dunn, Esq., was tendered by the employees, clerks and mail agents connected with the office a complimentary banquet, on the occasion of his retiring from the position he has so well filled, which came off at "Our House," kept by Jno. Shaver, Esq., in Diamond alley, where a sumptuous repast was spread. Previous to the supper, the table at their request, Henry A. Love, who has been in the office for twenty-two years, toasted Mr. D., in appropriate terms, for the faithfulness of past, spoke of Mr. D's satisfactory management of the postal affairs and his agreeable intercourse with those under him. Mr. Alexander responded to present Mr. Dunn, on behalf of the employees, with a neat and costly diamond breastpin, and a magnificent heavy chased watch chain, as memorials of their lasting esteem and good-will.

Mr. Dunn, after thanking all for the splendid testimonials just presented, said he would prize them, not for their intrinsic value, but as a token of the feeling of generous hearts, which would hereafter bind to remind him of those who shared with him the duties so soon to cease. He spoke of the lightening of the cares of his position by the ladies of his assistants, to whose experience, ability and faithfulness he was so much indebted. In conclusion he again thanked them for the complimentary testimonial, wished long life and prosperity to all—and bade them farewell.

The good things on the table were now discussed, after which toasts were in order. To these Col. Robert Anderson, Mr. James Otterlow, and others, replied in brief addresses, closing with suitable sentiments. We have not room for the toasts or responses, which we should be pleased to publish.

At the approach of Sunday the entire company stood up and after singing "Auld Lang Syne" retired to their respective homes. The occasion will be long remembered by all participating and the community will join with them in regretting the retirement of Mr. Dunn.

THE ACCIDENT IN A BAD CONDITION. The old aqueduct across the Allegheny, which has been for years past in a dilapidated condition, is about in the last stage of decay.—It had sunk three or four feet at a point between the second and third piers on the Allegheny side, and on Sunday night it sunk down some ten feet further, while between the piers on either side of the fall a corresponding elevation occurred. Timbers and stays were torn and broken and the flooring ripped up in several places. A large portion of the water ran out and the structure is now impassable for boats while the footpath is in a condition which should prevent pedestrians from attempting to cross, as there is danger in so doing. Councils should close it at once, or serious consequences may ensue. Only two boats were on this side of the river, and it will scarcely be possible to get them to Allegheny where the business of the canal will be conducted hereafter, as it is not probable that the aqueduct will ever be rebuilt. The structure was completed in 1845, and was of stone piers and wire suspension dock.

THE FORT PITT CANNON FOUNDRY.—The *Chronicle* of yesterday states that the workmen at the "Fort Pitt Foundry" are busily engaged in finishing the "Union" gun, and in casting others of a smaller calibre. The "Union" gun is of the same class as the "Floyd," gun, and is being rifled. It weighs twenty six tons, and will project a ball between six and seven miles. It will be finished and ready for delivery in four or five weeks. The firm have eighty eight inch guns yet to cast, and will turn them out at the rate of about three per week. They have cast some three or four thousand shot and shell within the last few months, and have several more yet to make The works have capacity for two hundred per day of the largest size. The orders from which the above were manufactured, it is but proper to state, were received some time ago, and long before the present troubles were anticipated. No doubt other orders will follow now, in which event the works will have a busy time of it.

UNION ENVELOPES.—W. S. Haven sends us some samples of plain white envelopes, with a handsome American flag in the corner, which he now has for sale. They will find an extensive market.

An Immense Establishment—Where to Procure Pure Liquors, Vinegars, etc.

Pittsburgh has long been noted as the Birmingham of America, the leading manufacturing city of the populous Central States, and well does she deserve to be thus recognized. Her products are carried to all parts of the Union, and the extent of her leading establishments is a surprise to those in other localities who chance to become acquainted with the amount of their productions. One of her leading houses is that of Mr. Thomas Moore, whose immense distillery and vinegar manufactory occupies the lots Nos. 189, 191, 193 and 195, First street, near Grant. We passed through the building, which is eighty feet square, and three stories high, a few days ago, and were surprised to learn its immense capacity. The liquor manufactured here is all *pure rye*, an article not always to be found in large quantities, in these days. The building is fitted up with all the modern improvements, and the best of machinery, which is run by a fine engine of forty horse power, which occupies a portion of the space on the first floor. The grain, which is bought in immense quantities, is carried by means of a railway to the rear of the establishment, where it is conducted by means of a large elevator to the granary on the third floor. Here it is stored in immense quantities, and when used, passes through a conductor to the second floor, where it is ground and returned back by way of an elevator which deposits it in a receptacle. It passes thence to a mesher or large vat on the ground floor into which water flows through a pipe prepared for the purpose. Grain is kept well stirred when the water is added, by an ingeniously contrived machine worked by steam, the whole being kept cool by an air fan driven by the same agency When the vat becomes full, the liquor, as we may now term it, runs through pipes to the fermenting vats in the cellar, where it remains for a time, and is then pumped by steam into a large receiver on the second floor, where it is kept stirred. It passes from there into two immense copper stills, and after going through the process of distillation is conducted to four capacious copper receivers, where, by a new and improved process the poisonous oily qualities found in grain are wholly extracted. From these receivers the liquor is again conducted through pipes to the upper story, where it is condensed for use. When ready for bottling, it is again conducted into pipes to the room on the fourth floor, each bottle, four to a stand gallon, and is then run into barrels. All the liquor made in the establishment is made of the best rye, and every step in the process of manufacture is carefully watched. At the time of our visit there were over twelve thousand bushels of grain in the building, and over twenty thousand bushels of good rye will be thrown into it before the process of distillation is completed. The establishment is fitted up with all the modern conveniences for bottling and packing liquors, and a number of men are employed in the manufacturing and selling department.

THE VINEGAR DEPARTMENT.

In addition to the above, there is connected with the premises a vinegar manufactory. For this purpose a large room on the third story, adjoining the granary, is used. This article is made of whiskey and mixed with pure water, and conducted to a large vat. By fermentation the room being heated by steam to a temperature of eighty degrees, and when ready for use is carried through pipes to receptacles on the first floor. This vinegar is pronounced superior by all who have used it, and for family purposes cannot be excelled.

The manufactory, taken as a whole, is pronounced the finest of the kind in the United States, energetic and gentlemanly proprietor having been sparing of no expense to make it so, and certain it is that its products are considered superior to any of the others in this market, and will continue to be thus considered so long as it remains in the hands of its present proprietor, who has made it an object to visit all the leading establishments of the kind in the eastern cities, as well as profit by his own genius.

THE DUQUESNE STEAMER.—The steamer is now fast in the ice at the upper end of the Island, and will not be out for two weeks. Her contract was completed on the 10th inst., and by the time an engine is to be built and delivered to the company by the 1st of August, to be returned to the builder if not satisfactory. The engine now between four and five hundred horse power, and the boat is to be of the same power. The boat is to be of iron, and will be fitted up in the most elegant manner. The cabin is to be finished in white and gold, with rich carpets, and the upholstering to be of crimson plush. The boat is to have a large dining saloon, and a ladies' cabin, with a separate entrance. There will be a ladies' saloon on the upper deck, and a gentlemen's cabin on the lower deck. The boat will be 200 feet long, 30 feet beam, and 6 feet hold. She will be provided with a large number of state rooms, and will be a splendid affair. She will be commanded by Capt. Thomas Shaw, who is now in command of the steamer Hornet, and is one of the most popular captains on the river. The boat will be ready for the excursion season, and will be a splendid affair. She will be commanded by Capt. Thomas Shaw, who is now in command of the steamer Hornet, and is one of the most popular captains on the river. The boat will be ready for the excursion season, and will be a splendid affair.

TROOPS PASSING THROUGH.—The troops we referred to yesterday as being on their way Eastward, consisted of two companies under Major Porter, in all 200 men under Major Porter, in all 200 men under Major Porter, in all 200 men