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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

Arbitration Committee of the Board of Trade

For March and April.

WM. McGREERY, V. P. B. CAMPBELL,
ISAIAH DICKEY, B. PRESTON,
S. B. McELROY, WM. MEANS.

TO LETS for SALE at this office.

Meeting of the Safety Committee.

The committee of Public Safety met at the Mayor's office yesterday morning, for organization, but the crowd was so dense that they were obliged to adjourn to the Board of Trade Rooms, where on motion, Thomas Bakewell, Esq., was called to the Chair. Captain John Birmingham, Wm. Bagley, Hon. Thomas M Howe, Hon. Wm. F. Johnston, C Zug and George W. Cass were appointed Vice Presidents, and Thomas Steele, C M'Knight, T. J. Bigham and T B Hamilton, Secretaries.

On motion of Mr. Woodwell, a committee was appointed on Permanent Organization, consisting of George W Cass, P. C Shannon, J. Parke, Jr., James McAuley and T. J. Bigham.

The names of the Committee of One Hundred were then read.

A report having been circulated that Messrs. Shriver & Dilworth had lately shipped three thousand pounds of powder by river on account of the manufacturers, Messrs. Dupont, of Delaware, and it being apprehended that the powder would fall into the hands of the secessionists, a request was made that Mr. Dilworth, who was present, give an explanation of the affair.

Mr. Dilworth stated that the powder was intended for Nebraska, and was shipped in accordance with the instructions of the Messrs. Dupont The statement was regarded as entirely satisfactory, and on motion of Judge Shannon Mr. Dilworth was exonerated from all blame in the matter

Judge Wilkins here made his appearance and took the Chair, Mr. Bakewell being chosen as one of the Vice Presidents.

On motion of Judge Shannon, the Committee on Permanent organization were authorized to select sub-committees and to organize a Home Guard of two regiments; to raise contributions for the support of the families of volunteers; and for other purposes.

On motion of Gov. Johnston, the committee was requested to sign their names in a book, which would be in readiness at four o'clock in the afternoon

Judge Wilkins was added to the Committee of Safety, and his action in increasing the committee above the number designated was approved.

G. W. Cass reported the names of the following gentlemen as a Finance Committee: Reuben Miller, Max Moorhead and W. J. Morrison.

Mr Parke moved that prompt measures be taken for the return of the powder which had been intercepted at Wellsville, to Pittsburgh.

Mr. Dilworth stated that he would abide by any action which the committee might take. He was the mere agent of the manufacturers, and as such made the shipment.

Mr. Bigham, as a lawyer, suggested that the Committee, individually, might be held responsible for intercepting the transit of the powder.

Judge Williams thought if the public safety required it the committee should not split hairs in discharging its duty. Let there be no violence, no mob demonstrations, but then we should let nothing contraband of war go into the hands of traitors, to be used against ourselves. If there was any danger of the powder falling into the hands of secessionists, it should be brought back.

Dr Gazzam moved that the matter be referred to a committee to confer with the Secretary of War.

After some discussion the latter motion prevailed, and Messrs. Dilworth, Gazzam and McCook were appointed said committee.

On motion of G W. Cass, the Board of Trade Rooms were selected as headquarters for the committee, the flag of the Union to be unfurled from one of the windows.

The committee now adjourned until 10 o'clock, P. M.

As that was a committee appointed to ascertain if, as had been rumored, Messrs Postley, Nelson & Co. had been shipping gun barrels South, reported, stating that Mr. Alexander Postley, one of the firm, was present, ready to give a satisfactory explanation.

Mr. Postly then stated that his house had received an order from Nashville for 3 or 3½ dozen gun barrels, which had not been shipped and would not be. He added that the barrels were not of such a character as would come under the head of warlike implements, being of the assorted character that country gunsmiths buy, but if they had been even further removed from usefulness in war he would not ship one. He meant and always hoped to be a good citizen; no gentleman in the house felt a warmer attachment to the Union than he.

The explanation was, on motion of Hon W. F. Johnston, accepted as satisfactory and the committee discharged.

Mr. Cass, from the committee on permanent organization, read the following report, which was accepted and, after substituting the word *general* instead of *executive*, italicised above, adopted and the committee discharged:

The Committee to whom was referred the selection of officers for a permanent organization of the "Committee of Public safety" and other purposes, beg leave to report

President—Hon. William Wilkins.

Vice Presidents—Thomas M. Howe, William F. Johnston, William Bagaley, John Birmingham, James P. Barr, George W Cass.

Secretaries—William M. Marsh, John W. Riddell, Geo. H Thurston, William Woods, Joseph R. Hunter, Thomas B Hamilton.

Treasurer—James McAuley

Finance Committee—Reuben Miller, jr., B F Jones, M. K. Moorehead, W. J. Morrison, James A. Hutchison.

Home Defence—P. C. Shannon, William Phillips, C. L. Magee, T. J. Bigham, John Birmingham, Samuel Riddle, Col. E. Simpson, Thomas M. Marshall, John M. Tiernan, Joseph Dilworth.

Relief Committee—Thomas Bakewell, Josiah King, G. L. P. Fetterman, John M. Irwin, W. B. Holmes, C. Zug.

Executive Committee—William F. Johnston, Thomas M. Howe, George P. Hamilton, James A. Hutchison, Henry McCullough, Thomas S. Blair, James B. Fowell, R. Milroy, jr., James Parke, jr., Edward G. Gregg, James McAuley, George W. Cass, James H. Murray, Samuel Duworth, William M. Lyon, W. J. Morrison, Thomas Steele, Isaac Jones, William R. Brown, Marshall Swartzwelder, James Herdman, William Coleman, John R. McCune, Dr George McCook, C. W. Batchelor, Frederick L. Ihmsen, William M. Shinn, Edward H. Stowe, Wm. Woods, Col. L. Sahl, Hon. John K. Parke.

The Committee recommended that the Executive Committee proceed immediately to prepare a plan for the operations of the respective Committees hereby and furnish copies thereof, and the several Committees to be governed strictly by the plans thus furnished.

That the Executive Committee sit in permanent session and shall, by a Secretary, keep a record of their proceedings

The several Committees to report daily to the Executive Committee, and be governed by their advice and discretion. Any citizen having information touching the welfare of the community, to report their information to the Committee for its action and guidance—but no anonymous communication to be acted on.

That all persons heretofore appointed on the "Committee of Public Safety," who do not record their names in the book prepared for that purpose by noon to-morrow shall not be regarded as members, and the *Executive* Committee shall fill the vacancies.

Dr. Gallagher offered the following resolution, which gave rise to some discussion, They were taken up separately and referred to committee on home defences, except the first, which went to the executive committee.

Resolved, That we deprecate the employment of secession traitors in our national armories, and therefore respectfully request Major Symington, commandant at Allegheny Arsenal, to discharge all employees under his charge who are not known to be sound Union-loving men

Resolved, That the Executive Committee be required to open books in this Hall, at once, for the enrolment of our citizens into companies to be called the Home Guards—that each company shall consist of one hundred men, shall choose its own officers, and be under the direction of the Committee of Public Safety.

Resolved, That the different boroughs and townships of this county, which are too remote from the city to enroll themselves here, are hereby requested to immediately organize companies, to be placed under the direction of the "Committee of Public safety."

Resolved, That these companies, when formed, will be required to meet frequently for drill, as may hereafter be directed

Resolved, That all good citizens of this county are requested to respond to this call and enroll themselves immediately for home protection.

D. D. Bruce, Esq., now moved the appointment of a committee of three (Judge Wilkins chairman) to prepare an address to the people of Western Pennsylvania, in regard to their duties and the present condition of affairs—to be first submitted to the general committee.

Hon. W. F. Johnston proposed to amend by recommending that none but citizens of the United States or those eligible as such, be employed in the forts.

The motion was discussed at length and some other amendments offered, which were laid on the table and the original motion adopted.

Judge Wilkins desired to be excused from serving on the committee, but a motion to reconsider being lost he was obliged to comply and appointed Thos. M. Howe and Thos Bakewell, to act in conjunction with him.

Thos Steel, Esq, offered the following, which was referred to the relief committee:

Resolved, That the funds raised and donations made for soldiers' families, be applied throughout Allegheny county, equally among those families residing in the cities, boroughs and rural districts; and therefore we request that all contributions be made to the Finance Committee, so that all may be properly assisted

The committee on the powder shipment reported that they had telegraphed to the Secretary of War for instructions, but no reply had been received. They had also despatched to the Mayor of Wellsville, who replied that the powder, which he had intercepted, on receipt of the first despatch, would not be permitted by the citizens to be shipped, unless back to Pittsburgh.

The chairman read a communication from Messrs. Phil and Jake Hill, offering their steam tugs Hawk Eye and Dick Fulton, with two barges, for any required purpose, offering to command them while they sail under the Stars and Stripes. They also enclosed $50 to assist in equipping the military

Another communication was read from Messrs. Stewart, Dickson & Co, offering to furnish $500 worth of coal for the families of volunteers, upon order of the Mayor or Committee.

These were referred to the relief committee, and the thanks of the general committee returned to the gentlemen named

The chairman added to the general committee, Robert Finney, Alex L. Russell, N P. Sawyer, W. S. Lovely, Geo. H. Thurston, and Ed. Campbell, Jr.

It was announced that the Ohio volunteers would reach here at four o'clock this afternoon and desired the citizens to meet them at the depot.

The committee then adjourned to meet at 8 o'clock this afternoon.

The War Feeling.

The patriotism of our people becomes daily more manifest, evidenced by a thousand indications around and about us. They are so numerous we scarcely know where to begin or end. Some instances are cited elsewhere, but we find it almost impossible to note every praiseworthy act which reaches us

Recruiting operations still go on swimmingly, and if five regiments were required from this county, we believe they could be as readily had as two. Nearly all the companies heretofore noticed are full and ready for marching orders Gallagher's Shield Guards are filling up rapidly Capt. Leonard's company is also growing in numbers, and has been accepted. He has been notified that his commission will be forwarded immediately. The Third Ward company, under command of our esteemed friend, Capt. John H Stewart, is fully organized, and is now full It is called the "Firemen's Legion." Our friend, Charles W. Lewis, Esq., (Alderman of the Third,) is First Lieutenant. He was in the Mexican war, and we can vouch for his courage, bravery and patriotism, and assure all who enlist with him that they will be kindly treated and well cared for. Charles F. Potter also a Mexican soldier, is Second, and Wm. S Collier, Clerk of the Quarter Sessions Court, brevet Lieutenant. They turned out yesterday with Young's Brass Band, and saw a fine looking body of men Col. Hugh Ledlie is organizing a company in Birmingham, now nearly full. Samuel M. Kee, Esq., of the same borough, has agreed to equip another company, now being raised there. Col D Cunningham, of Cunningham & Co., glass dealers, is raising a company in Brownstown, chiefly from among the employees at the works. The company was nearly full yesterday. Capt. William A. Christie, of the Blues, has opened a recruiting office at the armory of that company, corner Third and Wood, and proposes to enroll a company called the "Fort Pitt Guards." We wish him success. The Irishmen are also moving, and a meeting is called for this evening at the hall over Hunt & Miner's literary depot.

Companies for home protection are also being rapidly formed. Books were opened at the Committee's meeting at the Merchants' "Exchange" yesterday for a "Home Guard," and many names were enrolled, from which companies of one hundred each will be formed. Books are also open at Moore's Hall, Diamond, Harbaugh's gallery and Tyson's dry goods store, Federal street, Allegheny, for the same purpose. Married men are invited to enlist for home protection. The "South Pittsburgh Light Infantry," with sixty men, organized in that borough on Wednesday, and elected the following officers Captain, Joseph M. Knap; First Lieutenant, Jonathan D. Morgan; Second do., Robert Lewis. Sergeants, B. C. Adams, Henry Fullman; Corporals, James Dunham, Samuel Eccles

The streets were filled with people throughout yesterday and at every corner a band of recruits might be met In the afternoon an immense crowd assembled at the depot to witness the departure of some of the volunteers. The Pittsburgh Invincibles, Capt. Trovillo, eighty-eight men, took their departure, also the remainder (twenty five) of the Turner Rifles, under Lieut. Hocksteman, a detachment of the State Guards, a detachment of the Allegheny Rifles, Capt. Grist, and forty more Pennsylvania Zouaves, under Lieut. Faith. At nine o'clock in the evening the crowd was equally dense, when the Negley Zouaves, Capt Irvine left and another detachment of the Turner Rifles. A number of affecting scenes took place at the depot. Sherman's battery, of 60 men and 70 horses, which arrived from the West in the evining, also went East on the same train.

At Gen. Negley's head quarters, Girard House, there was a crowd throughout the day, but no confusion, business being quickly dispatched and orders rapidly made out. The General has received orders from the department to fill up the necessary offices of the brigade, the organization of which will be perfected at the earliest possible period. The paymaster will be appointed to day, to enable him to pass receipts for the military equipment fund, and probably a surgeon who is needed. Orders were received yesterday to hasten the men forward (not more than two regiments) All companies reported are under marching orders and may be sent off at any moment. Gen. Cameron telegraphs that cavalry cannot be accepted, but Hon. S. A. Purviance adds that the services of Capt. Sahl's Dragoons may yet be required. Capt. Lloyd, of Altoona, telegraphs that he and his company are awaiting orders from Gen. Negley.

Over thirty companies have reported at head-quarters.

A special dispatch from Washington City in the afternoon, announcing the taking of Harper's Ferry Arsenal and the blowing up of the bridge, and others relative to the secession of Virginia and the marching of troops on the Federal capital, occasioned fresh excitement and quickened the patriotic spirit of all. It was also announced that southern troops had left Harrisburg for Washington.

Pittsburgh never before exhibited such a military spirit, and it is most singular that instead of decreasing it seems to increase. A rifle regiment is now talked of and we have no doubt that enough sharp-shooters can be found in the county to form it. All honor to old Allegheny. She will furnish as many men and as much money as can be required of her to prosecute this war.

Gen. Negley has received orders from Harrisburg to report himself there as early as possible and will probably leave with the last detachment of the two regiments.

The soldiers who left by the afternoon train yesterday were telegraped "all right" at Altoona.

BIRMINGHAM, April 18, 1861.—At a meeting of citizens held at Town Hall in Birmingham, on motion of Andrew Burtt it was unanimously resolved, that the chairman of this meeting appoint a committee of twenty citizens of the borough of Birmingham, East Birmingham, South Pittsburgh, (himself being chairman of the committee) for the purpose of collecting funds for aiding all military organizations

In compliance with the above, Dr. James Kerr appointed the following gentlemen on said committee:

Saml Mehaffee,	L Berg,
A B Fetterman,	G Jones,
Wm Simms,	John Walton,
J P Pears,	John Nesser,
Andy Burt,	John Brown,
Thomas Fawcett,	Samuel Miles,
Alex Chambers,	James McKnight,
J Shaffer,	D Cunningham,
A Ammon,	John Evans,
Fred Bassman.	

EXPLANATORY.—The following card speaks for itself:—*A Card to the Public:*—An impression having gone abroad that the Messrs. H Kleber & Bro. had refused to furnish me with a drum head for the use of our company, the Scott Legion, I would herewith state that it is altogether a mistake-a misunderstanding. I wished to get a head for my little boy's drum, in order to gratify his taste for playing upon that instrument, and asked the Messrs Kleber's what they would sell me one for, never mentioning the company's name nor that it was in any way intended for their use I exonerate the Messrs K's from all blame in this matter, and may add that they have offered me the free use of any instrument in their store, for the use of our corps.

WM. BYERLY

Pittsburgh, April 18, 1861.

DR VON MOSCHZISKER.—We would again call attention of our readers to the advertisement in another column. As the Dr's time is drawing to a close we would urge all afflicted to consult him forthwith He needs no recommendation at our hands, as the persons who testify are of the highest respectability and live amongst us, and are chiefly known, their testimony will go far in convincing the credulous that what he undertakes he can undoubtedly perform We ourselves know quite a number of patients he has relieved, and again would impress all afflicted with eye, ear or throat disease to apply immediately and find relief

STEUBENVILLE.—A company of eighty men, the Steubenville Guard, has been organized in Steubenville. Captain, A. G M'Cook, 1st Lieut. S Gamble, 2nd Lieut. Carnahan, 3rd Lieut. William Hazlit Their services were tendered to the Governor and accepted, and they will pass through this city to day, —Friday—on their way to Washington One company of artillery and two more companies of infantry are being raised at the same place

THE PAY OF OFFICERS.—The following table of the pay of officers will prove interesting just at present

PAY OF OFFICERS OF ARTILLERY AND INFANTRY

	Per month	No. of rations	No. of servts.	Monthly pay
Colonel	$95	5	2	$118 00
Lieutenant-Colonel	80	5	2	104 00
Major	70	4	2	1.. 00
Captain	60	4	1	75 00
First Lieutenant	50	4	1	68 50
Second Lieutenant	45	4	1	63 50
Brevet 2d Lieut.	45	4	1	63 50

BENEFIT.—Mr C W Couldock, one of the most popular of actors, who has been playing here to fine houses, takes a benefit this evening. An immense bill is offered, embracing two of his best personations, Luke Fielding in the "Willow Copse," and Peter Peabody in the "Chimney Corner" Notwithstanding the war fever, such a bill should fill every part of the house, especially as he only appears once more—to-morrow night.

DRY GOODS AND TRIMMINGS.—There is no better appointed establishment in the city than the dry goods house of C Hanson Love, Market street, where everything, from a row of pins to a gorgeous silk dress or hundred dollar shawl, can be had The assortment is always complete, and the stock of spring and summer goods is now full. Goods will be sold at the lowest possible figures, and we commend the house to all our lady readers as one where they cannot fail to get any of the thousand and one articles they may chance to want in arrying themselves for the season.

BOOTS FOR VOLUNTEERS AT COST.—Jos. H Boland, Market street, requests us to state that he will furnish boots and shoes to as many of the volunteers as wish them, at first cost.—Messrs Eaton & Macrum, we understand, also offer to supply them with undergarments and other goods in their line on the same terms—These examples are worty of emulation.

THE Court of Quarter Sessions, having finished up the business of the term, adjourned yesterday. It meets, however, on Saturday, for sentences and motions

THE CURRENCY REFORM.—Our business men hold a meeting at nine o'clock this morning, at the Merchants' Exchange, to take some action relative to depreciated currency. Let there be a full attendance.

THE DUQUESNE GREYS hold a meeting last evening and elected the following officers:—First Lieutenant, John S Kennedy; Second Brevet Lieutenant, R. L. Colbert; Orderly Sergeant, W. B Neeper. Capt. David Campbell and Second Lieutenant Wm. Bennett retain their respective positions.

WE neglected to state yesterday that R. B. Carnahan, the newly appointed United States District Attorney, was sworn into office on Wednesday. He received the appointment just in time to release Capt. Roberts from his duties, and permit him to serve his country in he nobler capacity of a soldier.

The Turner Rifle Company have sent to the Mayor a list of their names, families and number of children, with a request that he would see them provided for. The matter was referred to the relief committee.

The Soldiers.

Formerly soldiers enlisted for the army were informed, when joining, to what branch of the service, cavalry, artillery, or infantry, they would be assigned. Henceforward they will be told nothing whatever about it, but made horse or foot soldiers, artillerists or sappers and miners, as may be necessary.

TOLL OFFICE ROBBED.—On Wednesday night the toll office at Geo. McKee's ferry-house, Charters street, First Ward, Allegheny, was broken open and robbed of fifty cents in pennies.

RUNAWAY.—A horse ran off on Fifth street yesterday evening, knocking down, running over and seriously injuring a little girl about five years old.

DIED.—Peter Lentz, whom we noticed yesterday as having been injured by a fall from the tressel-work of the Little Saw Mill Run Railroad, died the same night. Coroner Bostwick held an inquest yesterday and the jury found a verdict of accidental death.

SUDDEN DEATH.—An old lady, mother-in-law of Dr. James King, Fifth street, was found dead in bed yesterday morning, having expired during the night.

DRS. STEBBINS & MUNSON have removed their office to No. 191 Penn street, near St. Clair street.

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

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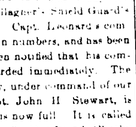

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AFTERNOON REPORT.

Channel Obstructed----Revenue Cutter Boarded by Secessionists.

Harper's Ferry Seized by the Virginia Authorities.

Proclamation of Davis.

Subscription to the Confederate Loan.

NORTH CAROLINA FORTS SEIZED.

Casting Cannon at Memphis.

MAJ. ANDERSON IN NEW YORK

MONTGOMERY, April 18.—President Davis has issued a proclamation, giving notice that the government will issue letters of marque and reprisals against the commerce of the North. The proclamation concludes as follows: "And I do moreover solemnly exhort all good people of these Confederated States, as they love their country, as they prize the blessings of free government, as they feel the wrongs of the past, and those now threatened, in an aggravated form, by those whose enmity is more implacable because unprovoked, that they exert themselves in preserving order, in promoting concord, in maintaining the authority and efficiency of the laws, and in supporting and invigorating all the measures which may be adopted for the common defence, and by which, under the blessings of Divine Providence, we may hope for a speedy, just and honorable peace.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—It is the intention of the War Department to muster companies enough in this district to yield a force approaching three thousand men.

The soldier of the war of 1812 are about adopting a military organization and offering their services for the defence of the seat of government.

The Massachusetts and Rhode Island regiments and Seventh Regiment of New York are expected here immediately.

A Government messenger has just arrived from Pensacola. There seems to be no doubt that troops have been landed from the Brooklyn at Fort Pickens

Messrs Carlisle and Dent, delegates to the Virginia Convention, arrived here this morning. They are both of strong Union sentiments, and their presence at this critical juncture occasons much surprise. They say there is no further use for them in the Convention, and Mr. Carlisle remarked that he left Richmond a sad man.

NEW YORK, April 18.—The Massachusetts regiments arrived about sun rise, and marched down Broadway at 8 o'clock. One regiment breakfasted at the store house, another at the St Nicholas, and the third at the Metropolitan. They marched down Broadway at 11 o'clock, after breakfasting, and were greeted by cheers and other demonstrations and applause by thousands. Flags floated from every house and store, and all the teams had American flags attached Nearly every person carried one in his hand. The flag presented by Governor Andrews was cheered the whole length of the route, and "God bless you," was frequently uttered. Cheers for the Old Bay State were demanded and enthusiastically given at every step. The regiments marched to Jersey City, where there was also a perfect ovation. They embarked at noon and took the train to Washington.

BALTIMORE, April 18.—Capt. Pegarson, of the Norfolk steamer, arrived this morning, and reports that the main entrance of the harbor has been obstructed by order of Governor Letcher, by the sinking of small boats: He was compelled to go over the flats in coming out. The object is to prevent the Government vessels from leaving, as was ordered. The Norfolk Custom House has been broken into, and a quantity of guns stored there seized The revenue cutter on that station has been boarded, and her guns seized.

SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE EVENING PAPERS.

WASHINTON, April 18.—From information received in this city this morning, Virginia has *positively seceded* from the Union.

The arsenal at Harper's Ferry has been seized by Virginia troops, and they are now in possession of fifteen thousand stands of arms.

The track of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad has been torn up on both sides of the town.

Gov. Letcher informs President Lincoln that *Virginia will fight him.*

Troops from Virginia are reported to be at the present time marching on the Capitol.

WASHINTON, April 18.—Dispatches from Norfolk to the Navy Department state that vessels have been sunk in the harbor at that place. The Cabinet meet this morning to take action on the subject.

Exciting rumors have reached us from Harper's Ferry, but all is believed to be quiet there.

Large quantities of naval stores have been deposited in the Post Office Department to-day.

Green Adams, of Kentucky, received his commission as Sixth Auditor to day.

Lieut. Nash arrived here this morning from Pensacola with despatches for the government He brings official information of the reinforcement of Fort Pickens.

BOSTON, April 18.—Only three of the Massachusetts regiments left here last night, and the remainder go to-day. There were eighty enlistments at one rendezvous this morning before ten o'clock. Mr. Barry, the Manager of the Boston Theatre, has volunteered.

PORTSMOUTH, N. H., April 18.—The City Bank tenders the State $30,000, and the Merrimac River Bank $40,000.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—It is again reported here in financial circles that the Government has advices that Harper's Ferry is in the hands of the Virginia authorities. The report needs verification.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—Capt. Cullom, of the Corps of Engineers, has been appointed Aid-de-Camp of Lieutenant General Scott, with the rank of Lieutenant Colonel. The appointment is officially announced to the army, and he is to be obeyed and respected accordingly.

CHARLESTON, 17.—Governor Ellis has telegraphed to the Secretary of War that he has taken the forts in North Carolina.

BALTIMORE, April 18.—Five hundred troops reached this city at 2½ o'clock this afternoon. Two hundred of the men came from Harrisburg No attempt was made to molest them A large portion of the police force escorted them. At many points they were cheered by the Union men who followed them in large numbers to the Washington depot. The streets are thronged this afternoon. There is considerable excitement, but thus far no violence has been attempted.

NEW YORK, April 18.—The steamer Kedar from Liverpool on the 6th inst, arrived at this port this evening.

It was reported that a division of the English army had gone to the Ionian Islands, where the agitation increases.

Warlike rumors confuse the main staple news.

All the French Marshals had been summoned to attend an extraordinary Council of war at Paris, on the 8th inst.

The London *Times* indicates the idea that the South is reviving the slave trade.

Royal mail steamer Niagara, left Liverpool on the morning of the 6th inst., and was to leave Queenstown on the evening of the 7th. She has £45,000 in specie. The steamer Irna was advertised to leave Liverpool on the 12th, under charter to the Canadian line for Quebec.

Parliament is not in session.

The London *Times* in an editorial on the position of affairs in America, points to the effect of English resistance to the present disruption which appears to be inevitable. The *Times* asserts that both the American tariff are hostile to English commerce, as merchants will have to pay duty on cotton to the South, and increased duties on the chief exports, while Northern duties are assuming a positively hostile character.

England must consider how she deals with States who begin with a flagrant departure from the rules of amity.

The rumors from Paris are of an exceedingly war-like character. The army is being provided with baggage wagons.

WASHINGTON CITY, April 18.—The following despatches from the South confirm the reported secession of Virginia, there are no direct advices from Richmond but the government is convinced of its truth:

Augusta.—The news of the secession of Virginia was communicated to Mr. Pryor as he was departing in the cars for Montgomery.—It was received with great cheering and demonstrations of joy.

Mobile.—The secession of Virginia is received with immense cheering and frantic demonstrations.

Montgomery.—A despatch from Savanna says that Virginia has passed the ordinance of secession to take effect in two days.

President Davis has just been officially notified of the secession of Virginia. Salutes are firing all over the South.

BALTIMORE, April 18.—A party of secessionists raised a secession flag at noon and commenced firing a salute with a cannon. In a few minutes workmen from all the foundries in the vicinity hearing the report, rushed on the traitors, tore down the flag, spiked the gun and threw it in the river. The secessionists fled in great consternation, and the flag was torn to tatters. The enthusiasm for the Union was universal. Not less than 5000 persons were present.

WASHINGTON, April 18.—The clerks in the various departments have been formed into guards for the protection of the building. This is in addition to the military force placed in the public buildings

The rumors of an intended invasion of the city to-night have excited much alarm. Whatever may be the grounds for such reports, it is certain that the government is making preparations for all emergencies.

The Kansas men now here, about sixty, have formed themselves into a company called the Frontier Guards.

BALTIMORE, April 18.—The excitement is rapidly increasing. The Union men are thronging the streets, determined not to be overslaughed by the Secessionists. The Minute men have their flag flying from their headquarters. The Governor and Mayor will issue a joint proclamation to prevent any interference with the passage of federal troops through the city. The Union sentiment among the mechanics is almost unanimous.

CHICAGO, April 18.—The Banks of this city to day tendered Gov. Yates half a million of dollars asked for as a loan for extraordinary expenses. The war feeling grows more intense. Up to this morning 2000 men had signed the muster roll. This is double the number that will be allotted from this city.—The Zouave Regiment is nearly full. A movement is on foot to uniform and equip them by private subscription, A wealthy citizen heads the list with $1,000.

MILWAUKEE, April 18.—There is a strong competition among monied men for the $200,000 loan asked by the State. The Junio Bank, a Democratic institution, offers to take the whole amount at par. A sufficient number of companies have already been tendered to all the regiments asked for from this State.

PHILADELPHIA, April 18.—The Massachusetts regiments arrived this evening at eight o'clock, and marched through Chestnut street amidst most tumultuous greeting. They took supper at the Continental, and will be quartered to-night in the Continental and Girard House. They proceed South in a special train in the morning.

CHICAGO, April 18.—The meeting called to-night for the purpose of sustaining the Government was the largest and most enthusiastic ever held in this city. Speeches were made by prominent gentlemen of both parties. Stirring resolutions were adopted. $6,000 were subscribed for the support of the volunteers until taken charge of by the State.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 18.—Tenders of companies are pouring into the Adjutant General's office, but are not put down as received who are not put down as full. Forty-nine companies have been accepted, and announcements have been made for as many more.—The Railroads in this State have volunteered to carry the accepted companies to their place of rendezvous free of charge.

MONTGOMERY, April 17.—Charleston has taken $2,080,000 of the loan at par, and $1,200,000 has been paid in cash. New Orleans has taken $2,700,000. the subscriptions have not closed in either city. Mobile has subscribed for $800,000—all taken by small bidders, the capitalists waiting till to-morrow.

MEMPHIS, April 17.—Mr Saunders declines the Postmastership. A committee of safety has been appointed. The resistance feeling is unanimous. They are casting cannon here.

HARRISBURG, April 18.—The Governor's proclamation will not be issued before to-morrow. Five hundred volunteers left on the Northern Central Railroad for Washington this morning. They will be sent in the same direction forthwith. The Governor has ordered General Patterson's division.

BALTIMORE, April 18.—All the rumors of the seizure of Harper's Ferry are false. A dispatch dated 5 o'clock P. M. says that all was quiet there. There is a full company of U. S. artillerists stationed there, and a strong Union population.

Statement of the Attack on and Surrender of Fort Sumter.

LATER FROM EUROPE.

Harpers' Ferry Not Taken.

NEW YORK, April 18.—The steamship Baltic, Captain Fletcher, from Charleston bar, came up to the city, and anchored off the battery, at one o'clock this afternoon. The Baltic had flying from her main mast head the flag of Sumter, and at her foremost head the flag from Moultrie. The Harriet Lane, Captain Faunce, sailed in company with the Baltic; also, the Pawnee, with her troops, and the Pocahontas, for Norfolk. The Powhattan was not, nor has she been at Charleston. The Pawnee did not arrive at Charleston until after the surrender of Fort Sumter. During the whole time the fleet remained off the bar; the wind blew a gale from the South-east, rendering the fleet useless so far as Sumter was concerned. The passengers of the Baltic are as follows: Maj. Robert Anderson, Capt. A. Doubleday, Capt. F. Seymour, First Lieutenant, J. C. Davis; Second Lieutenant, N. J. Hall; Capt G. Foster, First Lieutenant, G. W. Snyder; Second Lieutenant, R. K. Mead, Jr., Dr. S. W. Crawford, Medical corps; Mrs. Annie E. Davis, and attendant; Sergeant Renshaw, of company H. and 33 men; Sergeant Scheerbrier, of company E. and 30 men; John Livarer, Sergeant of the corps wounded in the battle; John Enom, of the artillery, wounded in the battle; James Hay, and George Pierchard, of the artillery, wounded; First Lieutenant, E. McKay Hudson; First Lieutenant, Robert O. Tyler; Second Lieutenant, C. J. Thomos, and 300 recruits for general service.

Maj. Anderson landed at the battery and was received by an immense crowd. His carriage was surrounded by the people, who expressed in cheers and other demonstrations their congratulations. He was followed by an immense throng through Broadway to the Brevoort House where he joined his wife. Capt. Doubleday's statement was as follows:—The demand to surrender at Sumter was made on the 11th inst., and refused, not only by Major Anderson, but by the unanimous force under his command. On Friday morning at three o'clock the rebels sent word that their fire would be opened in an hour, and at four o'clock a fire was opened on us from every direction, including a hidden battery. The fire opened with a volley of seventeen mortars firing ten inch shells, and shot from thirty-three guns, Columbiad.

We took breakfast, however, very leisurely. The command was then divided into three watches, each under direction of the officers. After breakfast they immediately went to the guns and opened a fire on Moultrie, Cumming's Point and Sullivan's Island. The iron battery at Cumming's Point Was of immense strength and most of our shots glanced off. Major Anderson refused to allow his men to work their guns on the parapet, on account of such a terrific fire being directed against that point. There was scarcely a room in Fort Moultrie left inhabitable. Several shots went through the floating battery, though it was but little damaged. The guns on the iron battery were dismounted. A man was stationed, who cried shot or shell when the rebels fired, and the garrison were thus enabled to dodge it. At first the workmen were reluctant to help to work the guns, but they afterwards served most willingly and effectively against the iron battery.

The barracks caught fire several times on Friday, but the flames were extinguished through the efforts of Mr. Hart, of New York, and Mr. Lyman, of Baltimore, both volunteers. On Saturday, the officer's quarters caught fire from shell, and the main gates were bur