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LOVETTSVILLE, VIRGINIA, March 1, 1862.

DEAR COLONEL:—Yesterday the First Section of our Battery, under command of Lieuts. Tingley and McGill, was ordered to cross the Shenandoah. We left our quarters, on Camp Hill, Harper's Ferry, at 12 m., and proceeded across the river by means of a rope ferry; nine companies of Colonel Geary's regiment crossed with us. By 3 p. m., we started for this place. On the way we were joined by four companies of the First Michigan Cavalry. After a march of three miles we were halted, and then discovered that we had taken the wrong way. We countermarched to the Potomac and after marching down the Virginia shore for two miles were compelled to halt for the night, owing to the darkness and miserable condition of the road. Sleep was out of the question; the wind blew a perfect gale, and all awaited anxiously for morn. We started soon after daylight, and reached Lovettsville at 11 a. m. The cavalry proceeded the column and encircling the village captured six rebel pickets, who were sent, with an escort, to Harper's Ferry yesterday. The majority of the houses being vacant, the soldiers are quite comfortably quartered. On Sunday afternoon our cavalry scouts reported the presence of 300 of the Mississippi Tigers, with some cavalry and one piece of artillery, within three miles of the village. Two companies of cavalry, four companies of Colonel Geary's 28th and gun No. 4 of our battery, the latter commanded by Lieut. Geary, started about 4 p. m. of yesterday to try and capture them; but as yet we have no report of them. What coffee can be had here sells readily at $1 80 per pound; tea $4 Calico 40 cents. Tobacco is the only moderate article to be had. The crinoline of the feminine F. F. V's, is not near so expensive as that worn by your Iron City Belles. The Union feeling among the inhabitants is quite warm since our coming. We are waiting the arrival of our supply train. You may expect to hear of me soon from Leesburg. Yours, A.

P. S.—I forgot to mention that the Second Section, under command of Lieut. Geary, reached this place shortly after our arrival. It had been stationed on London Heights to cover the crossing of the Shenandoah.

## HARRISBURG CORRESPONDENCE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES,
HARRISBURG, March, 6, 1862.

Hon. Speaker Rowe took the chair at 10 o'clock, after reading the journal. The special order was taken up in Committee of the Whole, Mr. Lichtenwalner in the chair, the Committee rose and the bill placed on second reading, after considerable discussion, pro and con, from several gentlemen, Mr. Armstrong moved that the bill under consideration, 321 and the Senate bill, be recommitted to the Committee on the Military and the Ways and Means, and they be the special order for next Wednesday. Rejected out at this stage of the proceedings. This dilemma again in another form, renewed his motion, and at the suggestion of Mr. Cowan, that it be made the order for to-morrow, and that the bill be also recommitted to the same committee. The Committee were then instructed to report by to-morrow morning. Agreed to. So the bill goes over as indicated: no telling what a day will do.

A member of the Committee No. 1, on the Tonnage tax, informs me that when the seal of secrecy be removed, that astounding disclosures will be made known to the public. There are stirring times here now, and as the plot thickens, we find unexpectedly a thousand rumors afloat these halls. Several "first-class" witnesses will be on hand ere long. I found Burns, of your county, on hand. In all probability Marshall will be sent for from indications and hints thrown out. Hopkins will do his whole duty in this trying affair. The State Treasury must have the funds returned, as it is pretty well depleted from the drain it has been exposed to. There are several prominent individuals of the better and most fortunate money makers on hand to be examined. It is said that they have lost heavily by the removal of the Ex-Secretary. Poor fellows, they are in a most pitiable condition for the loss they have encountered. There is some talk of getting up an indignation meeting to remonstrate against the cruelty practised in depriving them of *horse red Herring Straw hats and London Porter contracts.* The virtuous Cummings and other disbanded patriots are in Washington seeking after lost character. It is to be hoped they will have a fair opportunity of hunting it up in prison discipline. Could you make room for a few in the new block B? What nice fellows they would make peering through the air-hole, when being supplied with "Summer Turkey Soup."

CANDIDATES FOR GOVERNOR IN THE WEST.

COVODE AND MOREHEAD.

A brace of worthies, well known in certain quarters of the State, are pushing themselves for the nomination of the Republican party for the position of Governor. John Covode, of questionable notoriety and grand inquisitorial general of all corruption, will be urged by men of peculiar speculating proclivities; coal and lumber will tell hereafter. Then we have the agent of the "slack water," who amassed a fortune off the public works, when professing adherence to the democracy; but when it became profitable to change front, he was found embracing "Know-nothingism," a principle well suited to his tastes and habits. If any amount of assurance, vanity, ignorance, and indeed, knavery have weight with the party now in (temporary) power, certainly then there could be no better candidates to contend for the prize than the worthies who are rivals for the first office of the State. The nomination of either of this pair would be in keeping with the proclivities of the accidental Republicans.

PETITIONS.

Mr. Bigham, petition of numerous citizens of Allegheny county for the inspection of oil and whisky in said county.

Mr. Shannon had called up an act for the relief of Mary Richey, the widow of an old soldier (Passed.)

HOUSE—AFTERNOON SESSION.

The tonnage tax bill came up in its order. Mr. Dennis replied to Mr. Williams in a well digested argument of considerable force and power, with some amusing hits at your member. Mr. Dennis moved to postpone the bill for the present or until such time as there should be some evidence from the investigating Committee. Mr. W. replied by stating that the duties of the Committee was different and had but little to do with the repeal, and trusted it would be met as it should be, by an honest vote of the people's Representatives. Mr. D replied to this in a few remarks by remarking that if the one half of what the gentlemen remarked should be proved against this large corporation, he would vote side by side with this very great man, and in the present course of the firm probably he could do his whole duty in this trying affair. The State Treasury must have the funds returned, as it is pretty well depleted from the drain it has been exposed to. There are several prominent individuals of the better and most fortunate money makers on hand to be examined. It is said that they have lost heavily by the removal of the Ex-Secretary. Poor fellows, they are in a most pitiable condition for the loss they have encountered. There is some talk of getting up an indignation meeting to remonstrate against the cruelty practised in depriving them of *horse red Herring Straw hats and London Porter contracts.* The virtuous Cummings and other disbanded patriots are in Washington seeking after lost character. It is to be hoped they will have a fair opportunity of hunting it up in prison discipline. Could you make room for a few in the new block B? What nice fellows they would make peering through the air-hole, when being supplied with "Summer Turkey Soup."

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