Presbyterian Banner.

PITTSBURGH, APRIL 29, 1863

The War.

Our war tidings the last week, have been a little more cheering than those of the previous. The rebels had, at three points, assumed the offensive, at all of which they have failed. They were obliged to raise the siege of Little Washington, N. C., and retire, leaving our garrison unharmed. On the Black Water and Nansemond, near Suffolk, they were badly beaten and driven back with the loss of five Parrot guns and one hundred and sixty prisoners At Williamsburg they succeeded in taking the village, but failed at the fort, and their farther progress was prevented.

On the Mississippi we have had an important success. On the night of the 16th the gun-boats *Tuscumbia*, *Lafayette*, *Benton*, *Pittsburgh*, *Louisville*, *Mound City*, *Carondelet*, and *Price*, with three transports, ran the blockade at Vicksburg. The *Benton* received one shot from the enemy's batteries. The transport *Henry Clay* was set on fire by a shell, and consumed. Her crew escaped. "Of these gun-boats, all are iron-clad save the *Price;* and except the *Tuscumbia* and *Lafayette*, will be recognized as the veterans of many a hard-fought battle. The *Price* is a powerful wooden boat, that was captured from the rebels last June before Memphis. The *Tuscumbia* and *Lafayette* are new boats comparatively; the former is a sort of Monitor, with square turrets on her bow and stern and is propelled by both a screw and paddles; the latter is an immense mass of iron, with powerful machinery, and guns of the heaviest calibre. Each of the boats had added to her armor all the protection possible, with baled cotton, hay, railroad iron, heavy timbers, chains, or anything which would add strength to their weaker parts."

On the night of the 22d, six more gun-boats and twelve barges passed the batteries. The cannonade was terrific; 500 shots being fired upon the boats. None of the barges was injured. All the steamers were struck, but only one was so damaged as to be abandoned. Twelve men were wounded, two of them mortally. Buildings in Vicksburg prepared for the occasion, were set on fire, so as to throw a light over the river and enable the gunners at the batteries to aim as well as if shooting by day.

Gen. Grant telegraphs to the President that he considers their movement in view of its importance, the terrible fire to which the boats were exposed, and the slight loss of property and men, a magnificent success.

Gen. Grant has passed a number of his men by land, and is now with the fleet, at New Carthage, some miles below Vicksburg, on the west side of the river. It is expected that by a new canal, and a bayou, small steamboats can get from above Vicksburg to Carthage, with supplies. In this case, Vicksburg will lose much of its importance, and our forces from above can coöperate with Gen. Banks against Port Hudson; and if that place were taken a way would be opened to the rear of Vicksburg. It being now practicable for Gens. Grant and Banks, and Admirals Farragut and Porter, to act together, we may look for something decisive against the enemy.

Portions of Gen. Rosecrans' army are still active and successful. They have taken McMinnville, and several other small towns, and destroyed much of the enemy's means of support. We anxiously await a movement of the army upon Tullahoma, that is, if it can move with success.

Colored troops are being enlisted in larger numbers than formerly. At Helena, Ark, within an hour after Gen. Thomas' speech, fifteen hundred tendered their services. In other places they are enlisting. The freed blacks should certainly have employment. The Government is under a moral obligation to see that they have an opportunity to live. Then why not employ them in any way in which they may be both useful and earn their bread?

The invasion of Southern Missouri by the rebels, is a movement which we had not expected. Pilot Knob and Cape Girardeau have been assailed by about 8,000 men, under Gen. Marmaduke, but are repulsed. Gen. Price, who formerly gave us so much trouble, is again threatening Springfield.

The rebels are still in Kentucky on the upper Cumberland, not in very large force, but enough to do mischief and cause anxiety.

The army of Gen. Hooker has not yet made a general movement. Detachments have possession of Warrenton and the bridge of the Gordonsville railroad over the Rappahannock. It is now seven weeks later in the season than was the movement of this army last year, and we are in daily expectation of important tidings. This army numbered, on the 28th of March, according to the report of the Surgeon General, a little over 159,000 men. If to these we add the forces covering Washington, also the Shenandoah, the Baltimore, the Yorktown, Norfolk, and Suffolk armies, we see a military array in and threatening Northern Virginia from which we may well expect something decisive.

The Army of Gen. Hooker is being weakened by the expiration of the term of service of the "two years men" from New-York, and also that of a few regiments of nine months men from Pennsylvania. The precise number that will retire we have not seen stated. Probably some ten or twelve thousand men.

At our present writing (Tuesday afternoon,) there is quite an excitement in our city. On Monday, we learn, about 4,000 rebel cavalry, under Gen. Jamison, advanced on Morgantown, Va., and captured it. Morgantown is about twenty-five miles from Uniontown, Pa., and to this place the rebels proposed to advance. Last night, by a special train, the specie and books of the Fayette County Bank, with many valuables belonging to citizens, were sent to this city. To-day the 15th Reg't Penna. Militia is ordered out, and will probably move to-night.

This is doubtless a raid, like that to Chambersburg, to get clothing, shoes, &c., and to exchange old horses for new ones.

Gen. Schenck has sent forces from East of the mountains, to intercept these marauders. The prospect of catching them, however, is but small. The Wheeling authorities are on the look-out for a visit.

The New State.

On the 20th of April the President issued his Proclamation, announcing that West Virginia had accepted the condition on which Congress had agreed to receive it as a State. The act is hence to be in force within sixty days after that date.

West Virginia embraces forty-eight counties, lying between the Allegheny mountains and the Ohio river. The new State will be entitled to three representatives in Congress. Thirty-four of the Counties voted on the Constitution, and the proposed term of admission (emancipation,) was adopted nearly unanimously. We have seen no statement of any voting in the fourteen counties in the Southern part of the State. Those counties were strongly secession in their proclivities. No difficulty, however, is anticipated in making emancipation practical; all born after July 4th being entitled to freedom after a limited apprenticeship.

Negro Labor in Louisiana.

The plan of Gen. Banks, of hiring negroes to their former masters, promises to change the system of labor on plantations, and to eradicate slavery. Col. Hanks, superintendent of the plan, speaks of it as satisfactory, both to masters and servants. The negroes dwell in families, have rations, and receive a small payment secured upon the crop. The benefit to the slave is thus stated by Col. Hanks:

"The planter in entering into the engagement does virtually resign his ancient claim to the black man. He no longer has the power to command him and to compel obedience, as in days gone by. Soon as his signature is written he stands in an entirely new relation to his negroes, and they stand in an entirely new relation to him. In the first place, he cannot sell them; virtually they are free. In the second place, he must pay them their wages, for they have a legal lien on his crop. In the third place, they have the right to leave him if he does not treat them properly. Where do you find the essence of slavery here?"

This plan of emancipation in districts not embraced in the proclamation of the President, seems to relieve the Government of great difficulties, and promises an easy, peaceful, and real abolition of slavery. The benevolent will rejoice in the prospect.

PRESBYTERIAL NOTICES.

The PRESBYTERY OF RICHLAND will meet in Hayesville, on the First Tuesday (5th day) of May, at 7 o'clock P. M.
JAMES ROWLAND, Stated Clerk.

The PRESBYTERY OF CARLISLE stands adjourned to meet in Carlisle, on Tuesday, the 12th of May, at 7½ o'clock P. M.

Candidates, and others having business with Presbytery, are expected to be present at this meeting, as it is designed to supersede the one ordinarily held in June.
A. D. MITCHELL, Stated Clerk.

The PRESBYTERY OF SALTSBURG adjourned to meet at West Lebanon, on the First Tuesday of May, at 1 o'clock P. M.
W. W. WOODEND, Stated Clerk.

ECCLESIASTICAL.

Rev. J. E. ALEXANDER, of the Miller Academy, Washington, O., has removed and has taken charge of the Classical Institute in Hightstown, N. J. Correspondents are requested to address him at the latter place.

Mr. A. H. YOUNG has been licensed by the Presbytery of Cincinnati, as a probationer for the Gospel ministry.

Rev. J. P SAFFORD has accepted a call to the First church, New Albany.

Mr. E. C. SICKLES, a licentiate of the St. Louis Presbytery, has been called to the pastoral charge of the church at Dixon, Illinois, and has entered upon his labors.

Rev. M. WISHART, of Washington Presbytery, has been engaged to fill the pulpit of the Presbyterian church of Meadville for the ensuing year, the congregation having elected to allow Rev. Dr. Reynolds a year for rest to recruit his health.

For the Presbyterian Banner.

Centre Church, Allegheny Presbytery.

Acts of kindness deserve acknowledgment. Accordingly, it is with pleasure that I record the kindness of friends on the 7th of this month. This was moving day with me. Early in the morning a number of persons brought their teams to Mercer, eight miles distant, and gratuitously conveyed my things to the house which I was to occupy. Arriving at about 12½ o'clock, we were agreeable surprised at being welcomed by a hundred and twenty or more of the people of my pastoral charge. Soon we were invited to a most excellent dinner. The afternoon was then passed in pleasant conversation. Good feeling and joy prevailed. After a brief address and prayer, we separated, thankful that we were permitted to meet under such delightful circumstances. A few remained that evening and the next day, and assisted us in putting things into order. During this time we discovered many valuable presents—just the things which young house-keepers most need.

For this, and the numerous other kind acts, of which I have been the recipient, my thanks are now tendered to this people. And my prayer is that God may reward them, and bless them with his choicest temporal and spiritual blessings.
W. W. MCKINNEY.
London, Pa., April 21, 1863.

For the Presbyterian Banner.

A Suggestion to the Churches of Western Pennsylvania.

The Army Committee of Western Pennsylvania, auxiliary to the United States Christian Commission, would earnestly suggest the propriety of taking up a *collection* upon the coming National Fast Day, in all the churches, to aid in supplying the soldiers and sailors with religious reading matter.

The delegates of the United States Christian Commission—Christian men who have volunteered for this service without pay, are now at work in all parts of our army lines from the Potomac to Port Royal, and from Murfreesboro' to Baton Rouge and New-Orleans—and they uniformly report an ever-increasing demand upon them, by soldiers and sailors, for religious reading matter.

In all human probability many thousands of our brave defenders at these various points, will be called to their final account before a month. The time is short. What we would do, we must do quickly. Have we given all that it is our duty to give to men who are offering their lives for us? When they ask us for books, and Bibles, and Testaments, and tracts, shall we deny them? Ought we not rather to deny ourselves, that they may have them?.

The Army Committee of Western Pennsylvania is the authorized agent of the United States Christian Commission, and will receive money, books, clothing, hospital supplies, &c, &c

Donations in money to be sent to J. S. Albree, Treasurer, No 71 Wood Street, corner of Fourth Street. All other articles to be sent to the Rooms of the Committee, to W. P. Weyman, of Weyman & Son, corner Smithfield Street and Diamond Alley. HERRICK JOHNSON, Pres't.
Rob't. C. Totten, Sec'y.

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Supplies Appointed by the Presbytery of Saltsburg at its April Meeting.

Pine Run—Mr. Stark, Second Sabbath in May; to administer the Lord's Supper. Mr. Foster, First Sabbath in June. Mr. J. H. Donaldson, Third Sabbath in June.

Warren—Mr. McElwain, First Sabbath in May; to administer the Lord's Supper. Mr. Shirley, Fifth Sabbath in May. Mr. J. H. Donaldson, Second Sabbath in June.

Concord—Mr. Graves, Fouth Sabbath in May.

Glade Run—Mr. Kirkpatrick, Fifth Sabbath in May.

Chirries' Run—Mr. Irwin, Fourth Sabbath in April, to declare the pulpit vacant.

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Given to Change.

Perhaps you may have a corner for the following. Is it not appropriate to our times!

PROV. XXIV: 21, 22.—My son, fear thou the Lord, and the king, and meddle not with them that are given to change; for their calamity shall arise suddenly, and who knoweth the ruin of them both.

The events for a series of years in Europe, have abundantly shown that Solomon's wisdom was far greater than that of modern philosophers, so called; or rather, that the wisdom of God is infinitely above the wisdom of man. The ruin of those who rebel against God, and of *those who excite disturbances in the State, comes upon them in the most unexpected manner, and is dreadful beyond conception.*—SCOTT'S COMMENTARY.

General News.

The Tax-Payer's Guide.

Mr. W. A. Gidenfeuney, Pittsburgh, sells a pamphlet of 63 pages entitled, "The Tax-Payer's Guide." It is a digest of the Revenue and Tax Laws of the United States, admirably adapted to public use.

New Music.

"To Canaan," or "Song of the Six hundred Thousand," is the title of a new piece of music for sale by *Charlotte Blume*, 43 Fifth Street, Pittsburgh. We can only notice the song to disapprove of it. Its allusions to sacred things we cannot but regard as extremely irreverent.

Fire.

On Sabbath morning, during the time of service, St. James' Episcopal church, Penn Street, was discovered to be on fire. The congregation escaped without injury. The roof was consumed, and the building otherwise much injured.

Fight in Missouri.

ST. LOUIS, April 26.—Dispatches from Gen. McNeil, at Cape Girardeau, dated 7 o'clock, Saturday evening, announce that the enemy, about 8,000 strong, under Marmaduke and Burbridge, were within eight miles, approaching on two roads. This morning a flag of truce brought a demand for surrender in half an hour, signed, by order of Major General Price, to which a defiant reply was returned. At 11:20 A. M., the rebels attacked in force. After some three hours fighting, they were handsomely repulsed. It was supposed, however, that they would change their position and attack from another point.

LATER.—A dispatch from General McNeil says: "We have repulsed the enemy with severe loss. He is now retreating, but will be taken care of. Our loss is less than twenty killed and wounded."

From Gen. Banks' Department.

On the morning of the 17th, Gen. Banks had reached Vermillionville, after a hard fight at Vermillion Bayou. The rebels were driven from their position, with considerable loss on both sides.

Large stores of ammunition, some Enfield rifles and other arms, were captured.

Our army then marched through Pattersonville, skirmishing continuously, and reached Franklin on the 15th.

The rebels destroyed ten steamboats to prevent their falling into Gen. Banks' hands, and also two large gunboats and the *Diana*. Included in the destruction of those boats were immense stores of provisions, twenty thousand pounds of bacon, and one thousand cases of ammunition.

It was expected that Gen. Banks would capture Opelousas on the 18th, and occupy it.

The expedition of Gen. Grover had been eminently successful, and in a battle with the rebels at Irish Bend important captures of horses, mules and beef cattle, to the number of over a thousand, were made. The celebrated salt-mine, or salt-rock, was captured, and the rebel works destroyed.

The rebel soldiers were not loth to be captured, and 1,600 are in our hands, and more are being taken.

Washington.

April 24.—The intelligence from England leads to the belief that the departure of the privateers from the British ports will be arrested by that government.

The reports with reference to dissatisfaction with Admiral Dupont, and that he was likely to be displaced, are wholly unfounded. The President feels assured that he does his duty; and, had the chances been at all equal, his success would have been most certain.

Rev. Dr. Hoge, of Richmond, who recently went to England, writes home that he has succeeded entirely in his mission. The London Bible Society has donated 10,000 Bibles, 50,000 Testaments, and 250,000 Gospels and Psalms to the Richmond Bible Society, part of which has already been sent to Nassau, N. P.

On Tuesday Assistant Secretary of the Navy Fox visited the Brooklyn Navy Yard. He examined the different ships in progress of construction, and was much pleased with the iron-clad *Miantonomah*, which is rapidly approaching completion, and complimented the officer in charge on the successful completion of the *Mackinaw*, which will be launched on Friday. After going on board the iron-clad frigate *Roanoke*, he embarked on board the steam-tug *Vanderbilt*, in which he proceeded to Greenpoint to inspect the armored vessels building there, particularly the Quintard battery *Onondaga*.

Eye and Ear.

Dr. Jones, of New-York, is practising at No. 47 Smithfield street, in this city, with his usual good success. His stay is limited to about eight days more. All who are afflicted with crossed eyes, diseases of the ear, deafness, noise in the head, or any of those difficult diseases which are not successfully treated by family physicians, would do well to call upon Dr. Jones without delay. 1t

A Matter of Record.

It is a well established fact, that notwithstanding the many trials that have been made, a perfect book, or book without typographical errors of some kind, has never yet been printed. In this respect the Sewing Machine manufacturers are ahead of the printers, for Wheeler & Wilson turn out machines so perfect in all their details, that the most critical cannot detect a mistake about them, or the most ingenious improve on their construction. To see these machines in operation call at 27 Fifth street, where you will get all particulars as to prices, &c. 1t

Commercial.

Pittsburgh Market.

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DRIED FRUIT—Apples, $1.50 ℔ bushel. Peaches, $3.50 ℔ bus.
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FEED—Shorts, $1.00 ℔ cwt.; Middlings, 1.25.
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Special Notices.

SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION.—In pursuance of authority vested in the Philadelphia Sabbath School Association by the State Sabbath School Convention of 1862, the undersigned have been appointed a Committee of Arrangements for the SECOND STATE SABBATH SCHOOL CONVENTION OF PENNSYLVANIA, to be held in the FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, PITTSBURGH, commencing at 10 o'clock, on TUESDAY, June 2d, 1863.

The objects are, in brief:

To prosecute the good work begun at the last Convention;
Collect further Statistics;
Disseminate Sabbath School information;
And by every means in our power, to arouse the Church to a full realization of the incalculable importance of the religious education of the young.

Every Pastor, Sabbath School Teacher and Superintendent in the State, is affectionately invited to be present; at any event, let each Sabbath School send at least one representative.

EXCURSION TICKETS will be issued by all the Railroads; or Delegates, on paying full fare coming, will be returned FREE.

Liberal arrangements will be made for the entertainment of Delegates, who are expected to notify the Committee of their intended presence not later than May 15th.

All communications will be addressed to DAVID ROBINSON, Secretary, Commercial Bank, Pittsburgh.

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Married.

On Tuesday, the 21st inst., in the Presbyterian church in Washington, Ohio, by Rev. C. W. Mateer, assisted by Rev. W. M. Ferguson, Rev. J. L. MERRITT, of Winnebago County, Ill., to Miss SALLIE M. BROWN, of Delaware, Ohio.

In M'Keesport, April 14th, by Rev. R. F. Wilson, Mr. DANIEL G. BAUGHMAN, of Braddock's Fields, to Miss CAROLINE E. CRAWFORD, of M'Keesport, both of Allegheny Co., Pa. In the same place, April 20th, Mr. JAMES CAMPBELL, of M'Keesport, to Miss KATE ROTHELY, of Dravosburg, both of Allegheny County, Pa. In the same place, at the residence of the bride's mother, on the evening of April 23d, Mr. WILLIAM H. HOFFMAN to Miss JENNIE LONG, both of M'Keesport, Allegheny County, Pa.

April 21st, by Rev. W. F. Morgan, Mr. JACOB WAGONER to Miss MARY REARICK, of Rural Valley, Armstrong County, Pa.

Obituary.

[ANNOUNCEMENTS, GRATIS; ADDITIONAL REMARKS, FIVE CENTS A LINE, NINE WORDS BEING A LINE.]

DIED—On the 20th of March, 1863, at the house of her daughter, the widow of the late Rev. Samuel Moody, in Ashland, Ohio, Mrs. JANE R. DONABREY, in the 72d year of her age.

DIED—In McKeesport, Pa., April 14th, of scarlet fever, TILLIE BELL, youngest child of William E. and Margaret Harrison—being their third child now in heaven, aged 1 year, 8 months, and 10 days.

DIED—In Rural Valley, Pa, April 8th, 1863, Mr. JOHN GALLAGHER, aged 93 years.

DIED—At Camp Bleakley, near Harper's Ferry, Va., March 30th, 1863, Mr. JOHN A. HENDERSON, of Elderton, Pa., a member of Co. M, 14th Reg't Penna. Cavalry, aged 34 years, 2 months, and 21 days.

DIED—April 18th, 1863, of scarlet fever, at the residence of Mr. James M'Coach, MOSES EDWARD CALDWELL, aged 9 years, 2 months, and 13 days.

DIED—In New Manchester, Virginia, on the 20th of March, at the residence of her son-in-law, James Ralston, Mrs. SARAH HARPER, wife of Rev. Joseph Harper, deceased, in the 83d year of her age.

The deceased in early life made a public profession of her faith in Christ, and by a consistent walk and conversation she exemplified the beauty of true religion. J. A. P.

DIED—April 20th, 1863 at Summer Hill, Cambria County, Pa., of scarlet fever, ANN CLARA, in the 7th year of her age, only daughter of William and Catharine J. Murray.

Death spreads his withering, Wintry arms,
And beauty smiles no more;
Ah! where are now those rising charms
Which pleased our eyes before?

That once loved form, now cold in death,
Each mournful thought employs;
We weep, our earthly comforts fled,
And withered all our joys.

From adverse blasts, and lowering storms,
Her favored soul he bore;
And with yon bright, angelic forms,
She lives to die no more.

Why should I vex my heart, or fast?
No more she 'll visit me;
My soul will mount to her at last,
And there my child I'll see.

DIED—At Carver Hospital, Washington City, D. C., on the 22d of December, 1862, of a wound received at the battle of Fredericksburg, Sergeant JOHN H. REED, of Co. H, 11th Reg't P. R. V. C., in the 24th year of his age.

He was a brave young man. He loved his country. He was among the first to enlist in his country's service. True to her cause as a good soldier, he was always at his post in the camp, on picket, and amidst the din of battle. In the seven days' conflict before Richmond, he was among the heroes who bravely met the first shock of the enemy, and yielded only to overwhelming numbers, when surrounded, and all hope of victory cut off. A soldier, alike on the field or captive in a hostile prison, true patriotism still burned in his noble young bosom; for as soon as exchanged, he returned to his native State to recruit another army, that he might accompany it to victory or to death. This done, he cheerfully obeyed the summons to join his copatriots at Fredericksburg, ready to meet the entrenched foe. The day came; shell and shrapnell shriek, and hail falls thick among them; still the veteran legions advance—on, on on to the rifle pits. The battle thickens; many fall, but our young hero still advances, until pit after pit is taken from the enemy. But another fearful volley pours from the hostile muskets, and many of our braves fall on the field of honor; and in the thickest of the fight lay our young hero, mortally wounded.

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