

# The Tri-Weekly CITIZEN.

TUESDAY EVENING, DEC. 9.

## THE SITUATION.

Everything appears to have remained quiet at Dalton since our last issue. Our advance is at Ringgold some ten miles distant. A thorough reorganization of the army we have no doubt is taking place preparatory to future operations.

Grant, it appears, is endeavoring to push reinforcements to Burnside as rapidly as possible, but Gen. Wheeler, we understand, is disputing the ground and rendering their progress a slow one. Nothing official from Longstreet, and we do not despair of his capturing Burnside yet before aid can reach him. But if he should have to retreat from Knoxville towards Lynchburg and the Federal advance into East Tennessee, would it not be a master stroke of policy for large reinforcements from Lee to join Longstreet, now that the winter campaign is probably ended in Va., so as to enable him to turn upon the pursuing enemy; whilst Hardee with his veterans would advance in their rear, and thus attacked in both quarters, force a surrender or rapid retreat through the mountains to Nashville or Kentucky.

The reports we received from private sources from North Alabama represent affairs in a deplorable condition. In and around Huntsville we learn the enemy have taken nearly everything edible and the people are in a pitiable condition. In many places they are forced to cut down shade trees for wood, and live upon shortest allowance. A Yankee sentinel gave Jerre Clemens a sound thrashing a few nights since. Jerre was on a spree.

For the Tri-Weekly Citizen.

## Flag Presentation.

CANTON, Dec. 7, 1863.

We had the pleasure of witnessing a flag presentation on Saturday last, given to the gallant old 8th Kentucky regiment, by the beautiful and lovely ladies of Sharon. It was presented in behalf of the ladies, by Dr. Cotton, with an appropriate speech, and replied to by Lieut. Dennis, of the 8th Kentucky, in a beautiful, touching and grandiloquent little speech, in which he called up the scenes of Fort Donelson, Coffeeville, Baker's Creek, Big Black, Vicksburg and Jackson, where on Mississippi soil the blood of the heroic Kentuckians, has been poured out in struggling in defence of our constitutional rights. The banner is a beautiful and rich specimen, of woman's fair hands, and speaks to the tried hearts of those noble soldiers, who have deserted their homes, families and loved ones, and linked their destiny with ours. It speaks in cheering tones, that words cannot express and says—"what were the world without woman's smile?" We feel assured that honor will perch itself on that flag and freedom's breath will blow out its folds, and cowardice find no lurking place there.

The names of the beautiful donors are as follows:—Mrs. M. Gilmer, Mrs. V. Gilmer, Mrs. D. Gilmer, Miss L. Gilmer, Miss M. Daniels, Miss J. Wilson, and Miss M. Preston.

We are delighted to see the hearts of the ladies in the cause, and with such assistance we know no fail.

For The Citizen.

## ALASTOR—AN INCIDENT OF BATTLE.

Our camp fires burn dimly; the snow falling fast, Has covered the wounded, left out in the blast; God grant it may shield their torn limbs from the cold While the poor shivering soldiers lie close to the world!

Oh many bright youths with their brows—O so fair—  
Marched out to the battle field—they are still there!  
Their light locks are matted, their breasts are all red,  
And they smile, for as brave men they rest with the dead.

I see an old soldier now brushing his eye,  
His breast, although silent, heaves many a sigh;  
Nor love, nor ambition, nor illness, I know,  
Could bear to his breast such superlative woe.

At morning I saw him march out to the fight  
With a smile that grew sad when the foe came in sight.

He glanced to his side where an officer's form  
And a proud smiling face braved the terrible storm.

That face was yet beardless, his fair hair laid back,  
And he moved in brave manhood to meet the attack,  
I noted his air, when the shells burst near,  
And I saw the deep pavor, which some thought was fear.

His frame felt no tremor—the blood sinking back  
To its home in the heart, wends a desolate track,  
It was grief and revenge that paled, then made red,  
That old soldier's face when Alastor was dead.

Oh! sigh for the dead, ye cool west winds which sweep  
O'er the fresh mold that covers the dead where they sleep!

Oh! comfort the sire who sees in that mold  
The door to the house where Alastor lies cold!  
ROBIN RUFÉ.

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## STATE MILITIA.

A private letter from Columbus informs us that a bill for the re-organization of the militia will be acted upon during this week, and that there is a disposition on the part of many members to do away with the office of Brigadier General. Now, our opinion is, that the militia, as heretofore organized and managed by Gen. Pettus, as commander-in-chief, was a stupendous humbug, and that it can be made more efficient. We believe every man between 16 and 60, not in active service, should be organized into companies, regiments and brigades, for the purpose of protecting the State against raids of the enemy, to gather up conscripts and deserters, and to do patrol duty generally, but not to be kept constantly in the field, so as to prevent them from attending to home duties and raising provisions for their families and the army. In arresting conscripts and deserters, they could be made much more efficient than the cavalry now performing that duty, because they would know every man in the county, as well as the by-paths and hiding places of those who are evading the duty they owe their country, and thus allow the able-bodied men now engaged in that service to swell the army confronting the enemy. They could remain at home attending to their farms until their services were needed repelling a raid of the enemy, and could then be called together in a few hours at the Court House in each county. But to make the organization complete and effective we must have Brigadier Generals to organize the troops. One man (the Major General) cannot organize the troops of the whole State himself. It is nonsense to think of such a thing, and we hope our Legislature will not be so silly as to attempt to re-organize the State troops without the necessary officers to do it efficiently. Either make the organization complete and effective, or do away with the militia bill entirely.—*Brandon Republican.*

## Reported Disaster in Louisiana.

NEW YORK, November 9.—The steamer Dupont, from Charleston bar on the evening of the 16th, reports the bombardment of Sumter continued day and night, and the Fort much reduced. It will be compelled to surrender in a short time.

A New Orleans letter of the 11th to the Express, says our loss in the Carron Crow affair is not less than 500 killed and wounded, and 1,000 prisoners. Our troops were caught napping and were greatly outnumbered but fought bravely. Two 12 pound Parrotts were captured by the rebels, whose force numbered 5000; ours was not over 1,800, being the rear guard of our army. Gen. Price was reported at Alexandria with 15,000 men, for which reason, as well as the impossibility of getting supplies, it was deemed best to fall back. Our wagon trains were saved.

Orders are said to have been received, sending the 3d Army Corps to Memphis. The rebels have ceased parolement of prisoners.

## TO THE PUBLIC.

HEADQ'S BUFORD'S BRIGADE,  
CANTON, MISS., Dec. 7, 1863.

LEARNING that a very injurious report is being circulated involving alike my honor as a gentleman and a soldier, that a difficulty had occurred between Col. Jackson, of the 27th Alabama Regiment, and myself, implying a charge of base cowardice on my part, I respectfully ask to be set right on the subject. So far as MYSELF is concerned, the report is a foul and malicious slander. I have never had any difficulty, even the slightest, with Col. Jackson, or any other officer in the Confederate army, at any place or at any time.

Respectfully,  
D. EMMETT MYERS,  
A. S. C. Gen'l Buford's Staff.

## CAMP 27TH ALA. REGT., Dec. 7, 1863.

Having been called on by Capt. Myers in regard to the report of a difficulty having occurred between him and myself, it affords me great pleasure to state that it is utterly untrue, and that the kindest feelings has always existed between us.

Respectfully,  
JAMES JACKSON,  
Col. 27th Ala. Regt.

## Strayed or Stolen.

STRAYED or stolen from the camps of S detachment, in Canton, on the night of the 3d inst., a small chestnut sorrel MARE, six years old, about fifteen hands high, and well formed, and in good order. One hind leg white half way to the knee, and also a small white spot on top of each ear.

Any information in reference to her, will be thankfully received and liberally rewarded.  
O. J. TURNEY,  
Co. F, 28th Reg't, Miss. Cavalry,  
Jackson, Miss.

Dec. 5, 1863.

## Wanted to Buy.

AT this Office, a good Cook, Washer and Ironer; also, an active negro boy, 14 or 15 years old.

## FOR RENT.

THE BRIDGE PLACK, two miles west of Canton, containing one thousand acres cleared land, and good improvements, is for rent the ensuing year. Apply to  
Dec. 8, 1863.—10 law F. T. HOONAN.

## BOARD OF POLICE.

A SPECIAL MEETING of the Board of Police of Madison county, will be held on Monday, the 21st inst.  
J. R. FOWELL, Pres't.  
Dec. 5, 1863. 9-11

## DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP.

THE copartnership of J. J. Richards, & Co., is dissolved by mutual consent, dating from Oct. 25, 1863.

## COPARTNERSHIP.

THE undersigned have formed a copartnership under the name and style of Orrick & Landers, and are authorized to settle the business of Mosby & Richards, and J. J. Richards & Co. All persons indebted to the above firm are respectfully requested to settle with them. Confederate money will be received for all claims made before or during the war.

It is our intention to confine ourselves strictly to the drug business, and keep our stock full and complete, and we hope to be able to merit the patronage of our friends.  
ORRICK & LANDERS,  
Canton, Dec. 1st, 1863. 7-11

## \$100 REWARD.

ON Saturday, November 28, we gave our negro boy, SHELBY, a pass to look for a stray mule in the vicinity of Canton. On Saturday night we learned that he had gone as far as the Confederate pickets on the Yazoo road, by whom he was stopped. He then turned back towards Canton, but has not since been heard of, and we have reason to believe he has run away.

Said boy is about 17 years old; black complexion; five feet, six or seven inches high; will weigh about 145 lbs., and is a smart, intelligent fellow. He was purchased from Mrs. German, of Silver creek, Yazoo county. The above reward will be given for his apprehension and delivery to us at Jackson, or safe lodgment in jail so that we get him, together with the mule, which is a large mouse colored horse, six or seven years old, bought of Mr. Lumbeth, of Yazoo county.  
Address either of us at Jackson, Miss.  
D. W. BUSIC,  
RICH'D CLARDY,  
Dec. 1, 1863. 7-6t

HEADQUARTERS JACKSON'S CAVALRY DIV.,  
JACKSON, MISS., NOV. 28, 1863.

## CIRCULAR.]

To the Citizens of Leake and Madison:

The Brigadier General commanding this division calls upon you for assistance in repairing the N. O. J. & G. N. R. R. to Pearl river. The benefits which will accrue to you from the speedy completion of this road, are well known to you; having for years prospered with it. Let the demands of your country and your own interests, induce you to send forward your negroes, without his having to resort to impressment. They will only be for this special work; and the moment it is finished they will be returned to you.

Send forward immediately to Capt. T. S. Williams, Superintendent N. O. J. & G. N. R. R., at Canton, Miss., or deliver to Lieut. W. W. Keith, 28th Reg. Miss. Cav'y, who is now in your midst, as many of your able bodied negro men as you can spare for this work, and receipts will be given you by them. If you desire to do so, send your overseers or agents along with them, to attend to their treatment and welfare.

Let them bring their blankets; rations will be furnished by the government.  
In all cases where receipts are given, the officer giving them must take name and full descriptive lists of the negro, date he received him, and the name of the owner and his residence.

By command of Brig. Gen. JACKSON,  
GEO. MOORMAN,  
Dec. 1, 1863.—2t  
Capt. & A. A. Gen.

## LAND FOR SALE.

1,000 ACRES, about half bottom, with a splendid two-story frame building. Out-houses, Gin, Press and stables all complete. Also, 120 bales of cotton, and 40 or 50 head of cattle and corn to supply the place. The above land is in Leake county, 13 miles South of Kosciusko on the Canton road, which I offer low for cash.

L. B. STORY,  
Oct. 24, 1863. 2m\*

## Exchange Notice No. 7.

RICHMOND, Oct. 16, 1863.

THE following Confederate officers and men are hereby declared duly exchanged:  
1. All officers and men captured and paroled at any time previous to the 1st of September, 1863. This section, however, is not intended to include any officers or men captured at Vicksburg, July 4th, 1863, except such as were declared exchanged by Exchange Notice No. 6, September 12th, 1863, or are specifically named in this Notice. But it does embrace all deliveries made at City Point or other places before Sept. 1st 1863, and with the limitation above named, all captures at Port Hudson or any other place where the parties were released on parole.

2. The Staffs of Generals Pemberton, Stevenson, Bowen, Moore, Barton, S. D. Lee, Cummings, Harris and Baldwin, and of Colonels Reynolds, Cockrell and Dockery; the officers and men belonging to the Engineer Corps and Sappers and Miners, and the 4th and 46th Mississippi regiments, all captured at Vicksburg, July 4th, 1863.

3. The general officers captured at Vicksburg, July 4th, 1863, were declared exchanged July 13th, 1863.

ROBERT OULD,  
Agent of Exchange.  
Southern papers copy six times and send bills to the War Department.

## Land for Rent or Sale.

THE subscriber to be sold or to rent or sell a tract of land, containing 640 acres, situated 3 miles north-west from Kirkwood, Madison county, Miss. There are about 350 or 400 acres of cleared land on the place—all cleared within the past 3 years. There are good negro houses, a graduate's house, stable and crib. And would sell with the place, 4,000 bushels of corn. Applications to be made to the undersigned, at Kirkwood.  
LUCY A. McWILLIE.  
Nov. 26, 1863. 3-6t

## Saddle and Harness Repairing.

A. M. GURLEY will do all he can, at his residence, one mile north-west of Canton, applicants furnishing materials as far as possible.  
Nov. 21. 3-6\*

## NOTICE.

BOOKER WAGGONER  
BEING established in the CITY OF MOBILE, for the purpose of conducting a  
General Commission and Forwarding Business,

solicits from his old friends all the custom they can throw in his line from Madison and adjoining counties, and will give everything entrusted to his care his personal attention. Liberal cash advances will be made on consignments to his address—having made arrangements here for capital sufficient to meet any demand on shipments of Cotton, Slaves, Flour, Corn, Bacon, Lard, Wool, Cotton Yarns, Tobacco, Liquors &c.

BOOKER WAGGONER,  
No. 11, North Water Street, at Geo. Griffin's,  
Nov. 12, 1863—38-3ms  
Mobile, Ala.

FRANKLIN SMITH,  
ATTORNEY AT LAW,  
CANTON, MISS.  
Always to be found at his office,  
One door North of the Parson House, up stairs,  
Nov. 17, 1863. 38-1y

Dr. W. M. TOWLER,  
RESIDENT PHYSICIAN,  
CANTON, MISS.  
OFFICE—South side of the Public Square.

## NOTICE.

ALL persons owning or having the care of taxable property in the district of Madison, but residing out of the district, are notified that the lists are now open for inspection, and will remain open for 15 days after this notice.

Appeals may be taken at any time within the said 15 days to the Collector relative to excessive or erroneous valuation or enumeration by the Assessor. All appeals must be presented in writing, the particular matter or thing respecting which a decision is requested and the ground or principle of inequality or error.

R. H. GOULD, Collector for  
Madison District.  
Nov. 17, 1863.—38-6t

## Administratrix's Notice.

LETTERS of administration on the estate of Samuel J. Stokes having been granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Madison county, Mississippi, on the 9th day of November, A. D. 1863;

All persons indebted to said decedent are notified to come forward and make payment, and those having claims against the estate are hereby required to exhibit the same and have them registered in the manner and within the time prescribed by law, or they will be forever barred.

PATIENCE L. STOKES, Adm'r.  
Nov. 21, 1863. 38-6w

## Administrator's Notice.

LETTERS of administration on the estate of Washington Ford, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Madison county, on the 9th day of November, A. D. 1863;

All persons indebted to said decedent are notified to come forward and make payment, and those having claims against the estate are hereby required to exhibit the same and have them registered in the manner and within the time prescribed by law, or they will be forever barred.

JOHN F. FORD, Adm'r.  
Nov. 21, 1863. 38-6w

## Administrator's Notice.

LETTERS of administration on the estate of Edwin Bass, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Madison county, Mississippi, on the 9th day of November, A. D. 1863;

All persons indebted to said decedent are notified to come forward and make payment, and those having claims against the estate are hereby required to exhibit the same and have them registered in the manner and within the time prescribed by law, or they will be forever barred.

ALLEN TAYLOR, Adm'r.  
Nov. 21, 1863. 38-6w

## Administrator's Notice.

LETTERS of administration on the estate of William L. Brooks having been granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Madison county, Mississippi, on the 9th day of November, A. D. 1863;

All persons indebted to said decedent are notified to come forward and make payment, and those having claims against the estate are hereby required to exhibit the same and have them registered in the manner and within the time prescribed by law, or they will be forever barred.

DAVID K. GALTNEY, Adm'r.  
Nov. 21, 1863. 38-6w

## Administrator's Notice.

LETTERS of administration on the estate of Asa A. Hairgrove, deceased, having been granted to the undersigned by the Probate Court of Madison county, Mississippi, on the 9th day of November, A. D. 1863;

All persons indebted to said decedent are notified to come forward and make payment, and those having claims against the estate are hereby required to exhibit the same and have them registered in the manner and within the time prescribed by law, or they will be forever barred.

DAVID DEAN, Adm'r.  
Nov. 21, 1863. 38-6w

## RAW HIDES WANTED.

THE highest price paid for GOOD RAW HIDES. Apply to  
W. J. KENDALL,  
Canton, Nov. 7, 1863. 36-1t