

THE BATTLE OF SATURDAY.

We learn from a gentleman who came from Fairfax late Monday night, something respecting the situation of our forces at that time.

We learn that what was the left wing of our army, viz. McDowell's forces, now constitutes the right, and rest in Fairfax.

Monday night, about four o'clock, an attack was made on our forces at Fairfax; but the enemy was driven back by General Kearney's brigade. The firing, says our informant, was heavy, though principally of musketry, and continued for some time. What were the casualties he could not tell, though he thought the enemy's loss was heavy. The object of the enemy was probably to cut off our source of supplies, and to get between this city and our lines, and thus do all the damage in his power by a raid of cavalry. In this he was foiled.

As we now write, we learn that the fight is renewed, and is now progressing. We shall probably have some further details before we go to press.

Since writing the above, we learn from a gentleman connected with one of the New York regiments, who was taken prisoner Monday night, and escaped yesterday, that the fight on Monday night was, as we supposed, commenced by the enemy to get possession of our trains, in which purpose they were foiled, and repulsed with considerable loss. He escaped to this city yesterday.

He furthermore reports that Stewart's cavalry made a raid Tuesday, about 7 o'clock a. m., to the left of Fairfax Court House, and carried off about one hundred of our wagons. We asked our informant whether our trains were sufficiently guarded. He remarked that our folks were not expecting the raid. It was the opinion of this gentleman that there had been no fighting on Tuesday, but others affirm that heavy cannonading was heard after 2 o'clock p. m.—*Wash. Rep.*

The body of Dr. Newell, of Mass., who lost his life by the collision between the steamers George Peabody and West Point, on the Potomac, a week or two since, washed ashore and was buried, at a place called the Glebe, on the Virginia shore, about 85 miles below Washington. About thirty bodies have been washed ashore at that point where they have been buried by Mr. Chandler.

The U. S. direct tax law went into operation on the 5th of August, so much of it is imposed a direct tax of \$20,000,000 having been postponed until April 1, 1865. The tax law, known as the excise law, went into operation on Monday, the 1st of September. This law imposes taxes on all spirits and ale brewed after August 1, 1862, it requires a host of persons engaged in trade to take out licenses; it imposes a tax upon a great variety of manufactured articles; it levies a specific toll on carriages, pleasure boats, slaughtered animals, and an ad valorem duty upon interest on railroad bonds, dividends, official salaries, and receipts for advertisements; it levies a tax on incomes above \$600, and upon all legacies, &c., and it requires a stamp duty from medicine and perfumery manufacturers. The operation of the section requiring stamps on notes, checks, contracts, charter parties, and business papers generally, is suspended till the 1st of October.

By order of Major Leighton, provost marshal general of division, certain ladies of St. Louis were on Friday officially notified that they must leave Missouri within forty-eight hours, under penalty of being arrested and committed to Gratiot street prison.

The proceeds of the sale of the prize bark Meaco, sold by order of the United States District Court at Philadelphia, have been sent to Washington, and placed to the credit of the officers and crew of the Brooklyn and St. Louis engaged in the capture. The amount was \$50,932.22. During the present week nearly \$400,000, the proceeds of other sales, will be sent to Washington. This money is the first distributed by any court since the commencement of the rebellion.

A piece of blue granite, three-eighths by one-eighth of an inch in circumference, and about a quarter of an inch in thickness, has been removed from the eye of Pascal P. Jares, of Northampton, Mass. Mr. Jares is a stone cutter, and has carried the fragment in his eye for fifteen years. The wound was never probed, and the orifice where the stone entered had healed.

A recent letter from Beaufort, S. C., says that quite a number of horses have died recently at Hilton Head. The writer says that he knew of fifteen, one of which was examined, and the pouch contained one hundred and fifty-eight pounds of sand. For the want of salt it is supposed the horses had licked up the sand on account of its being impregnated with saline particles.

The National Intelligencer says, "Mr. Stanton is too good a constitutional lawyer to look with tolerance upon a theory which, as applied to the case of Mr. Ingersoll, would preclude political discussion in the U. S."

Gen. Lane is in trouble again. He has been issuing commissions to sundry persons at diverse times to officer the new regiments he has been and is trying to raise in Kansas. Under the last law of Congress in relation to this subject, the appointment of officers is left to the Governors of the respective States, and Gov. Robinson does not approve of some of Gen. Lane's appointments, and refuses to issue commissions to them. He has written to the old regiments asking the names and qualifications of those among them whom he can properly withdraw and commission in the new regiments. General Lane deemed this a trespass upon his prerogative, and declares that no new regiment will be put in the field until the expiration of Robinson's term.

DIED.

On this morning, the 3d inst., EFFIE VIRGINIA, youngest daughter of John and Ruth Fornshill, aged 22 months and 19 days. The friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend the funeral at 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

On the 20th instant, HENRY, aged 5 years 7 months and 20 days; and on the 31st ADA VIRGINIA, aged 2 years 2 months and thirteen days, children of John and Elizabeth Jayne.

Dearest children thou hast left us,
We thy loss most deeply feel,
But 'tis God that hath bereft us,
He can all our sorrows heal,
But again we hope to meet you,
When the day of life is fled,
Then in heaven with joy to greet thee,
When no farewell tear is shed.

In Norfolk, on Saturday, August 23d, ADA VIRGINIA, daughter of William and Mary Pettit, of scarlet fever, aged 5 years and ten months. Her remains were buried on Sunday, the 24th inst., at 3 o'clock P. M.

On the morning of the 3d instant, JNO. E. BRUFFY, in the 40th year of his age. His friends and acquaintances are invited to attend his funeral from his late residence No. 71 Cameron street at 3 o'clock P. M. to-morrow.

The extraordinary advance in the price of cotton reported in the Liverpool market, by the North American, viz: 4d. per pound, to 23d for Middling Uplands, will have a great influence upon import interests in this country.

New Jersey has raised her quota of troops without a draft.

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NOTICE.

DISSOLUTION OF COPARTNERSHIP. The copartnership heretofore existing between A. L. GEE and D. B. CANOLL, has this day been dissolved by mutual consent.

D. B. CANOLL,
A. L. GEE.

ALEXANDRIA, August 21, 1862.

THE business heretofore conducted by GEE & CANOLL will be continued by D. B. CANOLL, ENOCH SOUTHWELL and A. MCCARTER, in the name and style of D. B. CANOLL & CO., No. 207 King street, Alexandria, Va. aug 27—1w

MISS ELLEN MARK will resume the duties of her SCHOOL on TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16. The school room is pleasantly situated, at her residence, 214, King street, between Columbus and Alfred. Terms for English branches as usual. Music and French at professors charges. aug 25—eo5w