

The Alexandria Gazette

SATURDAY EVENING, JUNE 20.

Movements of the Confederates.

HARRISBURG, June 19.—Prominent citizens of Hagerstown, who arrived at Gettysburg to-day, telegraph to Gov. Curtin that when they left the latter place the Confederates were there with a force of eight thousand, consisting of mounted infantry, cavalry and artillery.

A dispatch dated McConnellsburg, 3.50 p. m. to-day, states that the Confederates have crossed Cave Mountain, below the town, and are on their way to Mercersburg with a large drove of cattle and horses. The persons giving the information accompanied them to the top of the mountain. The force was about two hundred strong, without artillery.

The authorities believe the Confederates are in strong force at Williamsport, and that they are moving their ammunition this side of the river, with a view of making it a base of operations.

The 172d Pennsylvania regiment, now at Yorktown, whose time has expired, tendered their services to Gov. Curtin for six months, and have been accepted.

The use of churches and public buildings has been tendered to the troops concentrated here.

HARRISBURG, June 19.—There seems to be no doubt that the Confederates are scattered along north of the Potomac, from the river to McConnellsburg.

Four thousand are at Hagerstown, with artillery, camped in the Seminary grounds.—Cannon are planted on Funkstown road.

The organization of troops here is proceeding rapidly. The Eighth, Twenty-third, and Seventy-first New York regiments are here.—Milroy is advancing from the mountains with a large force.

The jail and court-house at McConnellsburg are burnt. Two Confederate prisoners were captured. There are eight thousand Confederates between Hagerstown and Williamsport. Negroes are constantly arriving here, and are scattered all along the railroad. They seize all they can find.

CHAMBERSBURG, 8.30 p. m.—One of the Cumberland Valley Railroad men, who resides at Hagerstown, and is reliable, escaped through the pickets at 9 o'clock this morning. He reports about four thousand Confederates at Hagerstown, cavalry and artillery, with some of their cannon planted on the Funkstown road.

He says from the best information he could gather, there are between eight and ten thousand men between Hagerstown and Williamsport, including the forces at Hagerstown.—Jenkins' cavalry is camped at Middleburg on the State line engaged in driving off horses and cattle from that section.

Our informant saw several small squads of cavalry at different points on the line of the railroad, but avoided them.

At one o'clock a small body passed through Greencastle to Waynesboro. Ewell was reported in command.

A special dispatch to the New York Times, dated Harrisburg, June 18, says:

I have just arrived from Chambersburg.—The enemy is no nearer than Greencastle.—The main force of the Confederates is at Williamsport. A squadron of cavalry and the Eighth and Seventy-first New York regiments have been sent by railroad to Chambersburg, from which place they will march to Greencastle to attack and dislodge the enemy.

The Twenty-second and Twenty-third New York regiments are ordered up the Susquehanna to take the place of the New York regiments who are gone towards Chambersburg.

This afternoon a train of cars freighted with lumber and other material for the construction of bridges, went to Scotland, the object being

to rebuild the bridge burnt. This will re-establish railroad communication to Chambersburg.

Men are at work on the intrenchments that defend this city. The reapproach from Chambersburg is, however, extremely doubtful, and it is believed they will soon leave the State.

The division of the Confederate army under the command of Gen. Ewell, numbering some twenty-five thousand men, crossed into Maryland, and were yesterday occupying a position at Sharpsburg. Gen. Ewell appointed a provost martial for the town, and informed the inhabitants that his forces had come into Maryland to remain.

At last advices all was quiet at Maryland Heights, but an attack was apprehended, and the Federal commander was confident of repulsing his assailants. The Confederates crossed at Williamsport and Shepherdstown.

The latest advices from Cumberland are to the effect that the Confederates who passed through that place, when learning of General Kelly's advance, fell back to Cumberland and thence moved North towards Bedford, Pa., it is supposed, as they alleged that they were going there. Gen. Kelly's forces had reached Cumberland and occupied the place.

The Confederates have built a substantial bridge across the Canal and the Potomac river at Williamsport, and also a pontoon bridge across the Potomac at Shepherdstown, opposite Sharpsburg, but for what purposes were not stated, unless to receive supplies, &c.

A large number of contrabands, who were captured in the various parts of Pennsylvania visited by General Jenkins, have been distributed among various residents of Western Maryland, the object of which is not clearly understood.

FROM PENNSYLVANIA.

HARRISBURG, June 19.—Two boatmen who left Williamsport, Maryland, on Wednesday evening, report that at the time of their leaving, six regiments of mounted infantry were encamped on this side of the river, and more were crossing.

Gen. Rhodes' head-quarters were on the opposite side of the river at Hagerstown. There were four regiments of infantry encamped about two miles this side of the town.

At Williamsport, the Confederates were paroling all the citizens, and both the boatmen had their parole papers.

This morning Mosby's Cavalry is eight miles below Chambersburg.

That portion of the Confederate cavalry which left Greencastle in the direction of Mercersburg yesterday, were at McConnellsburg this morning, taking the road towards Hancock.

GENERAL LEE'S ADVANCE.

WASHINGTON, June 19—Midnight.—Advices from below state that General A. P. Hill's advance guard, consisting of Hampton's Legion, was advancing toward Dumfries, and that one regiment had made its appearance at Stafford Court House.

Combining these facts, intelligent officers draw the conclusion that Lee is advancing upon the Army of the Potomac in three columns his right, under Hill, by way of Occoquan and Wolf Run Shoals, his centre under Ewell, by way of Thoroughfare Gap and, his left under Longstreet, by way of Leesburg.

In this connection it is only necessary to say that such disposition has been made by Gen. Hooker that no surprise can possibly take place.

The families of many officers who were visiting the field are returning hither to-day, and there are other indications of an approaching conflict.

A few hours will probably develop further movements and intentions on the part of Lee's forces, which are now said to be upward of ninety thousand strong.

The Confederates in Pennsylvania.

WASHINGTON, June 20.—Maj. Beazell, U. S. volunteers, received intelligence from Fayette county, Pa., this morning, that the Confederates, in heavy force, were advancing on Pittsburg, Pa., via the National road leading from Cumberland across the Alleghany mountains. Their pickets had reached Grantsville, Md., thirty-eight miles from Uniontown, Fayette county, Pa., on Wednesday evening last.

McCONNELLSBURG, PA., June 19.—A detachment of Gen. Jenkins' forces of mounted infantry, under Col. Ferguson, re-entered this place at four o'clock this morning.

The Confederates opened all the stores, helping themselves to boots, shoes, hats, and everything else they could possibly carry.

Large numbers of horses fell into the hands of the Confederates.

They also drove away about twelve thousand dollars' worth of cattle. One of their number, in attempting to capture a horse, was shot through the neck by some unknown person.

This so exasperated his companions that they threatened to burn the town, but finally desisted. They completely gutted the telegraph office, carrying away with them the instrument and all the messages. The operator succeeded in making his escape.

After they had collected all the plunder and were ready to evacuate, the Colonel commanding made known to the citizens that he was ready to listen to claims for the recovery of horses, &c; Many accordingly applied, but were for the most part unsuccessful, until a number of ladies stepped forward and interceded, when a portion of the lost property was restored.

The Confederates retreated in the direction of Hancock, but where they may next turn up it is impossible to say.

A number of bouquets were presented to the Confederates by sympathizing ladies, and it was principally these who received their horses.

MOVEMENTS OF GENERAL MILROY.

HARRISBURG, June 19, 9 o'clock P. M.—It is understood that General Milroy is advancing toward the east with 4,000 mounted infantry and 5,000 riflemen (well mounted) from the mountains.

General Milroy has established his headquarters at Bloody Run. With him are his Adjutant, John O. Cravens, and also Major McGee of his staff. He has ordered Colonel Gallagher, who has command at Bedford, to report at his new head quarters, with all the United States forces under his command.

MARRIED.

At "Goodwood" on Thursday morning, the 18th instant, by the Rev. Chesley, SAMUEL K. GEORGE, Jr., of Baltimore, and ELLA daughter of Charles H. Carter, esq., of Prince George's County, Md.

At the residence of the bride's father, on the evening of the 2d inst., by the Rev. Vicinanz, Mr. W. F. M. GARNER and Miss ISABELLA STEWART, all of Charles county, Md.

On the 3d instant, at St. Peter's Church, by the Rev. G. L. Mackenheimer, Dr. JAMES C. BURCH, of St. Mary's county, and Miss MARY P. LONG, daughter of the late J. H. Long, of Baltimore City.

DIED.

At Berry Plains, Charles County, Md., May 15th, Mrs. CATHARINE LOMAX, relict of John W. Lomax, in about the 50th year of her age.

On Saturday, January 2d, 1863, at her residence, Apple Grove, in Prince George's county, Md., at an advanced age, Mrs. JUDITH C. BAYNE.

At Fort Yumah, Mexico, on the 20th of October last, in the 21st year of his age, THOMAS REILLY CLEARY, eldest son of Judge Nicholas Cleary, formerly of Mariposa, California.—May he rest in peace!

BIRDS! BIRDS!

THE subscriber wishes to sell his AVIARY, containing a most choice collection of BIRDS, which will be sold at \$1 a piece, if all are taken.

EDWARD SCHULER.