

The Alexandria Gazette

SATURDAY EVENING, JULY 25.

THE MARKET, this morning, was only tolerably supplied. Meats, as heretofore quoted. Potatoes 50 cents per peck; Tomatoes \$1 per peck; Cucumbers 25 cts. per dozen; Snap Beans 40 cts. per peck; Cabbage 15@25 cts. per head; Cymbblings 25@40 cts. per dozen; Butter 30 cts. per lb.—for fresh—good 25 cts. per lb.; Corn 50 cts. per dozen; Beets 5 cts. per bunch. Blackberries 5@8 cts. per quart. Whortleberries 10@12 cts. per quart. Pears 60 cts. per peck. Eggs 25 cts. per dozen. They are selling in Baltimore at 14 cts. per dozen. Sturgeon 10 cents per lb.

BRIEF PARAGRAPHS.—“*Multum in Parvo.*” —Several “detectives” lately arrested in Baltimore, are to be tried next week, before the Court Martial in Washington, for taking bribes.—Clouds of grasshoppers prevail in Minnesota.—Mr. Rutter of Memphis, was this week, robbed on the cars near Rochester, N. Y., of \$10,000 in money; subsequently \$7,500 of the money was recovered.—The provost marshal was one of the drafted men in Philadelphia.—There are again rumors started in the N. Y. Times of reported intentions, of the Emperor of the French, with regard to intervention in American affairs, in connection with his designs on Mexico—Gold, in New York, yesterday, 126½.—The Kentucky election for members of Congress will occur on Monday the 3d of August. There is a great deal of interest attached to this election.—The Columbia Carolinian announces the death of Mrs. Mary Hampton, relict of the late General Wade Hampton.—Assistant Engineer Lackey, who arrived in Washington a few days ago, has been promoted to a first assistant engineer. Engineer Lackey is a resident of Washington.—A lady died in New Hampshire lately aged 101 years, and her funeral was attended by a life long companion and friend aged 102 years.—The Mississippi river is said to be uncommonly low at this time.—

CONFISCATION.—The following are among the names given of the owners of property, in this place, which has recently been levied on by the U. S. authorities, under the Confiscation act, previous to judicial proceedings:

Wm. G. Gazenove, Dr. Orlando Fairfax, Lawrence B. Taylor, Wm. H. Fowle, Francis L. Smith, Wm. N. McVeigh, James H. McVeigh, J. M. & R. M. Smith, Edward Sangster, George Washington, Anthony McLain, Dr. M. M. Lewis, Thomas Anthony Brewis, Wm. H. May, John Crockford, Benj. H. Jenkins, Dennis R. Blacklock, Hugh Latham, James W. Nalls, C. M. Castleman, George W. Davis, Wm. S. Kemper, Meade & Marye, Miss. E. Tebbs, Selden Peach, Levi Hurdle, Harrison Kirk, Dr. J. T. Johnson, McVeigh & Witmer, Wm. H. Smith, J. W. Vandegrift, &c., &c. Other names will be added, as they are known. Of the above, all are absent, and have been since the commencement of the war, except three.

Cloud's Mill, situated about four miles from this place, in Fairfax county, was totally consumed by fire about midnight, last night.—The mill had nothing in it at the time. Mr. Cloud the owner of the mill has lost nearly everything he possessed since the beginning of the war.

FROM CHARLESTON.

A great battle was probably fought at Charleston, on Friday of last week; but up to the time of going to press to-day no particulars of the engagement had been received. A steamer arrived in Hampton Roads on Thursday, from off Charleston, but brought no news, or at any rate, brought nothing to communicate to the press for publication. A dispatch from New York says that information has been received there through private dispatches that the commanding officer of the colored regiment from Massachusetts was killed on Saturday, the 18th, indicating that the first day's fighting was indecisive and that the battle had been renewed.

NEWBERN, N. C., July 20.—A dispatch was received here to-day from Beaufort stating that the Federal forces had obtained entire possession of Morris Island.

A paragraph from the Chicago Tribune speaks of the Norwegian sloop Skjoldmoen, which arrived at that port recently from Norway, as the smallest vessel that ever crossed the Atlantic. Many of the early voyagers from Europe to this country were made in craft much smaller than this sloop. We do not know that there is any authentic statement of the tonnage of Columbus's vessels, but two of them, the Nina and Pinta, were undecked, and probably were of less than sixty tons. Be that as it may, numerous voyages to this country were made by the adventurous navigators of Europe, in much smaller vessels.

The American Coal Company have declared a dividend of three per cent, free of Government tax, upon the earnings of the Company for the six months ending June 30th. The Company earned its dividend previous to the invasion of Pennsylvania. The American Coal Company is entitled to the credit of being the first Coal Company in the Cumberland region to pay a dividend, and there is every prospect of a regular continuance of dividends. The Company is free of debt, and after paying this dividend, will have about \$120,000, to credit of surplus account. The dividend just declared is payable on the 10th of August.

A Halifax correspondent of the Montreal Gazette acknowledges that as a United States gunboat was leaving a wharf of that city, the crowd assembled there gave three cheers for Jeff Davis and the Southern confederacy. The writer, however, denies the rumor that a steamer had sailed from that port with the intention of running the Southern blockade.

In Baltimore, anthracite coal is coming forward more freely and sells slowly. Cumberland by the cargo \$7.25a\$7.50 free on board at Locust Point; Anthracite wholesale from the yards to dealers at \$6.75a\$7, and small lots at \$7 50a\$8 per ton.

The Cooper House, on Royal street, has been closed by the military authority—in consequence, it is said, of the sale there of contraband liquor.

This has been another very warm day—the thermometer at 12 o'clock, standing, in the shade, at 88.

The ship Guiding Star, from Calcutta, reports further depredations of the privateers.

THE TOWN OF WYTHEVILLE DESTROYED.

CINCINNATI, July 24.—The cavalry expedition under Colonel Toland, of the Thirty-fourth Ohio, mounted infantry, and Colonel Powell, of the Second Virginia cavalry, sent by Brigadier General Scammon from Charleston, Virginia, to cut the Virginia and Tennessee railroad, at Wytheville, has been successful. They captured Wytheville after a severe fight, and took one hundred and twenty prisoners, two pieces of artillery, and seven hundred stand of arms.

The Federal loss was about sixty-five killed and wounded. Colonel Toland and Captain Delany, of Cincinnati, were killed, and Colonel Powell severely wounded.

The enemy lost seventy-five killed and a large number wounded. The troops were fired on by the citizens from their houses. The town was totally destroyed. The command reached Fayetteville yesterday, after a hard march.

The number of bullocks devoured by the army of the Potomac during the time which elapsed between their march from Catlett's Station towards Fredericksburg, under Burnside, and their return by Catlett's Station under Hooker was 35,000. Fresh army beef is self-transported, and the saving in transportation effected by driving cattle for army supplies is found to be equal to one and a quarter pounds per man per bay, or an aggregate for the army of the Potomac, say of 125,000 pounds per day.

Every man, like Gulliver in Lilliput, is fastened to some spot of earth, by the thousand small threads which habit and association are continually throwing around him. Of these perhaps, one of the strongest is here alluded to. When the Canadian Indians were once solicited to emigrate, “What,” they replied, “shall we say to the bones of our fathers, Arise, and go with us into a foreign land.”

The Providence Post says:—“Gen. Meade was one of those officers of doubtful loyalty, in the beginning of the war, whom radical mobs tried to bring before them to swear allegiance, in their presence. His refusal to do this in Detroit caused him to be denounced as a sympathizer with the rebels, and efforts were made to have his commission revoked.

The first arrival of “conscripts” in New York took place yesterday. About fifty came down from Plattsburg, among whom were quite a number of Canadian substitutes.—Not more than fifteen out of the whole number were originally drafted.

The George Cromwell, from New Orleans, brings us the intelligence that the Mississippi is open to travel. The steamer Imperial had arrived there from St. Louis, and already started on her return up the river. She was not molested on her passage down.

The Board of Health of New York are taking precautions to prevent the spread of the yellow fever cases which are reported on board of vessels in the lower bay, at quarantine.

DIED.

In Washington on the 24th instant, HENRY H. MCPHERSON, Sr., aged 80 years.

TURNIP SEED.—We have just received by express our full supply of Landreth's TURNIP SEED of the usual varieties. For sale by LEADBEATER & Co. Fairfax street.