

The Alexandria Gazette

SATURDAY EVENING, AUGUST 22.

BRIEF PARAGRAPHS.—*"M. Itum in Parro."*
 —The Washington Chronicle states, that in consequence of the raid of a body of Moseby's cavalry in the vicinity of Washington, the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal Company have found it necessary to stop all business, as the horses they send out are captured.—A severe hurricane, accompanied by hail, lightning and thunder passed over Boston on Thursday evening, doing considerable damage.—The draft in New York continues without any difficulty whatever.—Gold, in New York, yesterday, 125½.—A soda water spring, a great natural curiosity, has been discovered in Colorado territory.—Numerous cases of typhoid fever are reported at Vicksburg, and it is getting to be quite sickly there.—The receipts of peaches in the New York market average about ten thousand baskets per day.—As high as \$5000, Confederate money, has been offered for a "substitute," by some one advertising in a Richmond paper.—Four more persons charged with being concerned in Moseby's raids, have been arrested near Accotink, and sent to Washington; their names are Thomas Welch, Milton Yale, Joseph Jackson, and George Walker.—Gen. Meade has issued orders relative to the transportation of newspapers to the army, the payment of the sick and wounded, &c.—Counterfeit Treasury notes, ones altered to tens, have made their appearance in Pittsburg.—The draft in New Jersey is shortly to commence.—The French Court of Divorce has divorced the Count and Countess Persigny.—We have seen but one Camp Meeting advertised to be held in all this section of country, this year; and that near Baltimore.—The boatmen on the Chesapeake & Ohio Canal struck for higher prices for coal transportation, last week, but "succumbed" in a day or two, and went to work at old rates.—The correspondent of the Philadelphia Press contends that the iron-clad steamers, whilst they are almost impenetrable, are yet not so valuable as an "aggressive power," as supposed.—Three men have been arrested in Massachusetts for manufacturing bank note paper for the use of the Confederates.—A successful experiment of canal navigation by a steam canal boat has been made in Pennsylvania.

THE MARKET this morning was tolerably well supplied. The prices of meats remain unchanged; 20 cts. per lb. for lamb.—Potatoes 40 cts. per peck; tomatoes 40 cts. per peck; corn 20@25 cts. per dozen; egg plants 15@20 cts. apiece; cabbage 20@30 cts. apiece; lima beans 25@30 cts. per quart; cyublines 15@20 cts. per dozen; snap beans 40 cts. per peck;—Watermelons 25@30 cts. apiece; cantelopes from 5@20 cts. apiece; peaches \$1@1.50 per peck; apples 40 cts. per peck;—Fresh Butter 30@40 cts. per lb; Keg butter 25 cts. per lb.—Eggs 25 cts. per dozen.—Fresh fish scarce and high—small bunches of rock fish 4) cts.

Mrs. Kate Marriner, died at her residence in Millsboro', Del., on the 6th instant., aged 103 years. Mrs. Marriner up to within a very few days of her death most of the work about her house besides milking the cows

Range of Thermometer in Alexandria, for the week ending August 21st, 1863.

	6 A. M.	12 M.	4 P. M.	6 P. M.
Sat. 15.....	78	84	86	87
Sun. 16.....	79	86	88	87
Mon. 17.....	78	82	82	81
Tues. 18.....	70	74	76	76
Wed. 19.....	70	76	79	79
Thurs. 20.....	72	79	82	82
Frid. 21.....	74	82½	84	84

Yesterday, General Barnard, the chief engineer of the defences of Washington, invited the President of the U. S. the Secretary of War, and a number of officers, to visit the works of defence he is now erecting at Rosier's Bluff on the Maryland shore, some two miles below Alexandria. The party embarked on the steamer Sylvan Shore about four o'clock in the afternoon. "The works at Rosier's Bluff, in conjunction with a battery on the Virginia shore already constructed, are intended to seal up the river against all approaches of an enemy by water, thus closing the gates of the city," and completing the defences of Washington.

A Springfield, Illinois, dispatch says, that President Lincoln has signified his purpose to attend a Union mass-meeting to be held at that place on the 3d of September, but should public business prevent, he will address the people by letter. The most extensive preparations are making to make this meeting the largest ever held in the West.

General Logan addressed a large meeting at Salem, Ill., on Tuesday. Judge O. Melevrey was present, and General Logan denounced him as one of the leaders of a band of traitors who were plotting the overthrow of the government. Melevrey left the crowd without responding.

The number of cases of drafted persons heard before the board of enrollment in Washington, yesterday, was 111, out of which 27 soldiers were obtained, viz: white, accepted man 1, substitutes 17; colored accepted men 2, substitutes 7. Exemption continues to be the rule in the larger number of cases—all those who are afflicted with any physical disability, or having aged parents or motherless children to support, or being under or over age, being prompt to come forward with their claim, under the law. The whole number of cases heard so far is 993, and the whole number of soldiers obtained 329, of which 90 are negroes.

The Governor of Texas has taken the field in person, it is said, with ten thousand State troops. Gen. Magruder's headquarters were at Galveston.

Wm. J. Robey, deserter from the 9th Virginia cavalry, and Jesse Poole, citizen, charged with disloyalty and with ferrying deserters and disloyal persons over the river at Seneca Falls, were sent in yesterday, and committed to the Old Capitol.

In Harrisburg, on Friday a discharged soldier who had been living rather high for several days was arrested on suspicion of being a female. On being brought to the police office she acknowledged the corn frankly, confessing that she did not belong to the male gender.

The returns from Alabama indicate the election of Wall over Shorter, for Governor, and that Curry is beaten by Cruikshanks for Congress.

The Treasury Department has heard nothing of the courier reported to have been sent by Gen. Grant, nor of any modification of his views in respect to trade.

THE GOVERNMENT OF VIRGINIA.

WASHINGTON, August 21.—Gov. Pierpoint is here making arrangements for putting the Government of the State of Virginia into operation, the seat to be at Alexandria. With this view the first Legislature will be convened, in extra session, probably in September, when they will elect a Treasurer and Auditor, for without them no salaries can be paid, nor the taxes collected in the several counties.

By the creation of the State of West Virginia the sum of \$100,000 was left to the credit of the remaining portion of the Old Dominion.

The new term of Gov. Pierpoint will commence in January next.

Thus there are three Governors in what was formerly known as one State, including the functionaries at Richmond.

On Thursday afternoon four hundred and twenty-five Confederate prisoners of war captured at the battle of Gettysburg, and since confined in the jail of Baltimore, were sent to Point Lookout. There now remain less than a dozen Confederates in the jail in Baltimore.

A young man named H. Z. Ludington, from Uniontown, Pa., who had been committed to jail on August 3d, for assault and battery, became insane, and yesterday was committed to the Washington asylum until his friends can be made aware of his deplorable condition.

It is asserted by those in the confidence of Governor Seymour that a test case will certainly be made within a few days, and if the decision is against the constitutionality of the draft law, no conscript shall leave the State except of his own free will. It is doubtful, however, whether the authorities will consent to any such scheme as is proposed. They certainly will not brook any delay beyond the period fixed for the conscripts to leave for the rendezvous.

Three convicts escaped from the New York State prison at Auburn a few nights since, and one of the number has just surrendered himself to a farmer in the vicinity in consideration of one-half the reward of \$100. The farmer received the money on delivery of the prisoner, and immediately paid over to him the \$50.

A CARD.

ALEXANDRIA, VA., August 21, 1863.

An article appears in the Washington Chronicle of Thursday where we figure pretty conspicuously, and altogether in the wrong light. We presented no permit, nor were we aware the liquor was here. Three of the barrels contained pure spirits, and the rest contained cider and hams, and not bad whisky, as stated. The above goods were intended for Washington, but through an error were sent here.

Yours respectfully,
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WENTWORTH SEMINARY FOR YOUNG LADIES.

ALBERT E. BASSFORD, PRINCIPAL.
 THE sixth annual session of this institution will commence on September 14th. The principal will be assisted by the Rev. W. F. M. Jacobs, whose co-operation will more fully sustain the already acquired reputation of this school. Circulars stating particulars can be obtained at the institution, Prince St., opposite Post Office. aug 15—2w isep & dtf