

The Alexandria Gazette

WEDNESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 14.

Gen. McClellan, having been accused of being favorable to the re-election of Governor Curtin in Pennsylvania, has written a letter, saying this is incorrect, and that he favored the election of Judge Woodward, the Democratic candidate. He says he understands Judge W. to be in favor of the decisive prosecution of the war, until the military power of the rebellion is destroyed; but also that the war should be directed in accordance with the principles of humanity and civilization, and that its sole object is the restoration of the Union, the Constitution and the laws."

Resolutions were yesterday passed by the Baltimore city council, recommending Gen. E. B. Tyler as commandant of that military department in place of Gen. Schenck, when he shall leave to take his seat in the U. S. Congress. A committee was appointed to proceed to Washington to urge the matter upon the government.

In a recent letter Gen. McClellan says that in his opinion, the war should be conducted on the principle "of working no injury to private rights and property, not demanded by military necessity and recognized by military law among civilized nations."

Col. Belger, late Quartermaster at Baltimore, has been acquitted by the Court Martial, but the proceedings of the Court have been sent back to the Judge Advocate for revision.

It is stated in the New York papers that "a Union of the Democracy of New York city for the ensuing election, has been consummated by a conference committee of Mozart and Tammany Halls."

It will be seen that, as was expected and confidently predicted by the Administration journals, the Democrats have been defeated in Pennsylvania and Ohio, with large majorities, probably, against them in both States.

Mrs. Kane, of Baltimore, has not been sent South, as reported yesterday. The order to that effect has been revoked and she awaits further action.

The market thieves continue their depredations. The stall of Mr. J. W. Henderson was robbed of about \$8 in money and a half barrel of fresh fish last night.

The National Intelligencer says:—"It is no secret now, (as we see it published in other papers,) that large cavalry reinforcements have been sent to the front."

The Court Martial of which Gen. Slough is President meets in Washington again to-day, for the trial of Col. McReynolds, late in command at Martinsburg.

Wild pigeons were for sale in market, this morning, at 25 cents a piece. Small rock and perch were selling at 50 and 40 cts. per small bunch. This will do.

Of the Ohio soldiers in the Alexandria hospitals, at the vote taken yesterday, 200 voted for Brough and 46 for Vallandigham.

Miss Charlotte Cushman, the celebrated actress, is in Washington, the guest of Mr. Seward. She is shortly to perform in that city, for the benefit of the sick and wounded soldiers of the U. S. army.

The Washington Chronicle says that over nine thousand voters left that city, previous to the Pennsylvania election, to vote for Governor Curtin, exclusive of soldiers.

Seventeen theatres and places of public amusement, besides music halls, are open in New York; five or six in Washington; and three in Alexandria.

The Lynchburg Republican strongly opposes the proposition made in some quarters in Virginia, to regulate prices by law.

It is said that the reported details of "the capture of Col. Dulany by his son," as given in the newspapers, is entirely incorrect.

Okra seed, ground and parched, is said to be a good substitute for coffee. It is used in some parts of the South, the newspapers say.

The weather to-day is raw, and it looks as if rain would fall shortly.

Gold, in New York, yesterday, 155½.

It is reported in naval circles in New York that orders have been sent to Philadelphia requesting the commander of that station to complete rapidly the U. S. steamers Ticonderoga and Quaker City, which had just arrived there, with the view of having them dispatched to the South Atlantic ocean in the neighborhood in which the Alabama has recently been committing depredations. It is also said that the steamer Grand Gulf, now at New York, is under orders for the same destination.

The following-named officers will, it is stated, leave the army on the 1st of December to take their seats in the United States House of Representatives; Gen. Robert C. Schenck, third district, Ohio; Gen. John A. Garfield, nineteenth district, Ohio; Gen. Ebenezer Dumont, sixth district, Indiana; Gen. Green Clay Smith, sixth district, Kentucky; Gen. Ben. F. Loan, seventh district, Missouri; Gen. Francis P. Blair, first district, Missouri.

In Washington, yesterday, whilst a horse-thief case was being heard before Justice Kinsey, the parties thereto being intently engaged inside the office, while the horse stood hitched outside—some undoubted thief came along and carried the animal off. This was not discovered till after the magistrate had rendered his judgment restoring the horse to the claimant, disposing another man, who had besought the animal from a third party, who has not been arrested.

An execution was to have taken place on the 9th inst., in the second division, army of the Potomac. The grave was dug, the coffin paraded, the victim had closed his eyes upon the world—all preparations for the execution had been made, when an order arrived from the President to suspend it. The effect on the prisoner was electric.

Mrs. Greenhow, who has arrived in England, is about publishing an account of her imprisonment.

In the Washington Criminal Court, yesterday, the trial of A. A. Boyans, for the theft of \$3,700 from Maj. Latham, army paymaster, was concluded, and the prisoner acquitted.

FROM THE FRONT.

The Washington Union says:—"Arrivals from the army of the Potomac yesterday represent that throughout all the day on Monday considerable skirmishing was going on between the two cavalry forces, with what results is not actually known. Very heavy musketry firing was heard in the afternoon from the vicinity of Rappahannock Station, indicating that a general engagement was either imminent or then raging. A train of cars, containing hay and grain, was burned last night by the Confederates, on its way to the army of General Meade, near Warrenton Junction."

The Virginia State Journal says:—"A brigade of Gen. Gregg's division of cavalry had a severely contested fight at Warrenton Springs, Monday, with a large Confederate cavalry force supported by infantry and artillery. In consequence of not being supported properly by infantry our forces were forced back from their position, losing quite a number of men. Among them were about fifty men of the 1st New Jersey cavalry. Quite a hotly contested cavalry fight occurred at Brandy Station on Sunday afternoon."

From Charleston.

The steamer Continental, from Hilton Head on the 9th, reports that on the night of the 6th the Confederates sent down a torpedo, attached to a raft, from Charleston, to the Ironsides, off Fort Moultrie, which exploded under her bows, throwing a great volume of water on board, putting out all the fires, killing Ensign Howard, and wounding two seamen, but doing no damage to the vessel. The Confederates who had charge of the torpedo were captured. The Ironsides remains anchored off Fort Moultrie. The monitors are doing picket duty off Fort Sumter.

General Gillmore is still erecting batteries on Morris Island.

The N. Y. Times' Morris Island correspondent, under date of the 7th instant, states that so much damage has been done to the Ironsides by the Confederate torpedo that it is seriously contemplated sending her North for repairs.—"The naval picket boats were attacked at the same time. It is thought the rebels will soon make a demonstration on the fleet with their rams, as three of the monitors are absent.—Two "Devils," to remove harbor obstructions, have arrived. Unless something shall be soon done the rebels will regain entire possession of the harbor."

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