

The Alexandria Gazette

WEDNESDAY EVENING, NOV. 11.

CITY COUNCIL.—A meeting of the City Council was held last night, a quorum of both boards being present.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.—A resolution tendering the use of the Council Chambers to the new Legislature for their use at their approaching session, on the 1st Monday in December, was passed.

A petition from Robt. Hodgkin, asking permission to make an addition to a wooden building, on St. Asaph st., between Cameron and Queen sts., was read, and the request granted.

A report from the special committee to whom was intrusted the distribution of \$150 for repairs to the Fire Apparatus was received from the Common Council and the action of that body concurred in by the board.

A report and order of the special committee to whom was referred the communication of the mayor, in relation to widening the footways on King st., was received from the Common Council, and their action adopting the report and order, was concurred in by the following vote: Ayes, Messrs. Beach, Vansant, Jamieson, Agnew and Bell, 5—noes, Messrs. McKenzie and Burchell—2.

A resolution in reference to the appointment of a surveyor to preserve the proper grade of King street, while it is being repaved, was received from the Common Council and the action of that body concurred in.

A report of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department was received from the Common Council and laid on the table after being read.

A petition from George Langly for permission to build a shed on the N. W. corner of Pitt and Wolfe streets, was received from the Common Council, and the action granting the petition concurred in.

The Board then adjourned.

COMMON COUNCIL.—The joint committee to whom was referred the communication of the Mayor in relation to repaving King street, made a report, recommending that the footways on each side of King street be widened two feet at the expense of the property holders, which was read and adopted, and an order directing the widening of the walks as recommended in the report was thereupon passed.

A resolution authorizing the Committee on Streets to appoint a surveyor to regulate the grade of King street while it is being repaved, was passed.

Permission was granted to Robt. Hodgkin, to erect an addition to a frame building on St. Asaph street, between Cameron and Queen.

The resolution from the Board of Aldermen, tendering the use of the Council Chambers to the New Legislature was concurred in.

The Committee to whom was entrusted the disbursement of \$150 for repairs to the Fire Apparatus, made a report setting forth that the necessary expenditures had been made, with a saving of \$25, which report was adopted.

A petition from Wm. M. Westcott, asking for and inquiring into an assessment of \$190 for license tax by the Mayor, was laid on the table.

A report from the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, suggesting that all the old Fire Apparatus, hose, &c., except the Sun and

Friendship engines, which are in good order and fit for service, be sold, was received and adopted.

A communication from the Mayor recommending a vote of thanks to Gen. Slough, for the interest manifested in the improvement of the city by the repaving of King street, was received, and a vote of thanks tendered.

A petition from Geo. Langley, for permission to build a frame shed in the rear of his dwelling, N. W. corner of Pitt and Wolfe streets, was read, and petition granted.

The Council then adjourned.

The Baltimore Evening transcript, a paper started about two weeks ago by William H. Neilson, one of the former proprietors of the Daily Gazette, was yesterday suppressed by order of Gen. Schenck. The American says:—"We are not aware of the cause which induced Gen. Schenck to discontinue the publication of the Transcript, which had a limited circulation, but many strong friends to perpetuate its existence." Neilson has been twice arrested, on account of being connected with the publication of the Maryland News Sheet and the Baltimore Daily Gazette. During a conversation a few weeks ago with Colonel Donn Platt, Chief of Gen. Schenck's Staff, he observed that Mr. Neilson would not be permitted to publish a newspaper within the limits of the Middle Department so long as General Schenck remained in command.

The captain of the Propeller John Rice, arrived at Fortress Monroe, reports that while passing False Cape, 20 miles south of Cape Henry, Nov. 5th, discovered a schooner of about 200 tons at anchor, discharging freight and landing it on shore by the use of small row-boats. On discovering the approach of the Rice, they hove up anchor and proceeded about 4 miles south, and dropped anchor again; her small boats had been kept in tow and at once recommenced the landing of freight. It was then near dark, and she was lost sight of. No doubt she was a blockade runner or smuggler.

The contract for repaving King street has been awarded to Mather at 84 cents per cubic foot. The work was commenced yesterday and is to be completed in sixty days.

The new Provost Marshal of this place is Inspector General on Gen. Slough's staff, and not Medical Director as telegraphed from Washington.

There was no mail this morning north of Washington. We are indebted to Mr. George Siggers, News Agent, for a copy of the Baltimore American of to-day.

Hiram Brower, formerly editor of the Fairfax county News, who has been confined in the old Capitol prison, Washington, for several months, has been released.

The Confederate prisoners captured on Saturday last and sent to Washington have, with the exception of the officers, been sent to Point Lookout.

Some cases of small pox have recently occurred in Washington.

The Washington Star says that a "letter, dated November 4th, received here, Saturday, from an officer of the U. S. Army, a prisoner in Libby Prison, at Richmond, says: There is no prospect now of any exchange although we number some 13,000, 1,000 of which number are commissioned officers."

Strike at the Boston Navy Yard.

A telegraphic dispatch from Boston yesterday says:—"The workmen in the navy yard are combining against the enforcement of the recent order requiring work to commence at sunrise, and there will probably be a general strike. The boiler and plate iron workmen at East Boston have struck for higher wages. The work on the Monitors ceased thereby."

BOSTON, Nov. 10.—About 1,500 Navy Yard workmen assembled on Bunker Hill to-day to hear the report of their committee sent to confer with the Commodore of the Yard.

They reported that the Commodore said that his instructions from Washington were that the men should go to work at sunrise whenever there was but ten working hours between sunrise and sunset, and could not go behind that order.

Also, that he had appointed a committee to inquire into the operations of the outside wards, and would communicate the results to Washington.

He said he would receive such men as would come to work at roll call in the morning; the workmen, however, decided that they would not work except under the system of hours heretofore constituting a day's work.

Of the 3,800 men employed in the Yard only 500 continue at work.

It is rumored that a general strike is contemplated in the iron establishments in South Boston and other points in this city.

Capture of the Louisiana Brigade.

The Washington correspondent of the New York News gives the following:

"A gentleman who left the front at three o'clock yesterday afternoon reports the capture of the Louisiana Brigade, under command of Brig. Gen. Hayes. The prisoners taken state that they had just been sent over from Gen. Early's Division of Gen. Ewell's Corps, to guard the ford, and their skirmishers had been out but an hour when they were driven in by General Sedgwick's men, who came down upon them on the run. A brigade had been sent by Gen. Sedgwick to prevent their escape by the river, and they said they had no alternative but to surrender. Gen. Hayes, in command of the Brigade, escaped by swimming across the Rappahannock River, having divested himself of his coat, hat and sword.

EXTRAORDINARY HUNTING.—The Davenport (Iowa) Hunting Club have recently closed the fourth annual excursion to their favorite grounds in Mercer county, Illinois.—The party consisted of about twenty persons, embracing honorary members for the occasion from St. Louis, Detroit, Georgetown, D. C., and Philadelphia. Seven skills, seven tents and seven dogs completed the encampment.—They hunted seven days and took 5 swans, 4 turkeys, 37 geese, 421 ducks, 210 snipe and quails, not to mention between one and two hundred squirrels, and raccoons, woodcocks, hawks, owls, etc.

"Colonel Seymour, engineer-in-chief of the Potomac aqueduct, has submitted a plan to the U. S. Secretary of the Interior for changing the current of the Potomac to the Washington side of the river. It provide for the construction of a breakwater from the lower extremity of Mason's Island to extend easterly on the flats to the neighborhood of the Lang Bridge, midway of the causeway, so called. This will give a current of twenty-five to thirty feet along the Washington wharves, which will, of course, be a great service to the U. S. Government in the matter of transportation."

Com. Henry S. Newcomb, of the gunboat Tioga, died at Key West of apoplexy on the 28th ult. He was a citizen of Rhode Island, graduated at the Naval Academy at Annapolis.