

The Alexandria Gazette

FRIDAY EVENING, SEPT. 16.

The opposition to McClellan on the part of a portion of the Democratic party, in the North would appear to be abating, and it is likely that before the election, on the 8th of November, the party will be nearly a unit. The New York News announces that there will be no "peace nominations." It says:—"The Peace party could, not, within the brief space before the eighth of November, organize sufficiently to exhibit their real strength. But the absence of that strength from the McClellan ticket would be ruinous to it, and we yet hope that Gen. McClellan will recede from his antagonism with the platform. Gentlemen who have hitherto been consistent Peace men, may, like the Hon. Thomas H. Seymour, Jas. W. Wall, Fernando Wood, and others, choose to efface their record, and give up a Peace platform for one that promises a vigorous prosecution of hostilities; but they cannot carry the masses of the Peace party to the polls.— Unless General McClellan should express himself in favor of an immediate cessation of hostilities and a Convention of all the States, hundreds of thousands of Peace men will stay away from the polls on the eighth of November. They will be disfranchised, for they will be without a candidate. The Peace party will not nominate a candidate."

A letter from Morazan, La., states that the order for the consolidation of negro regiments had been received by Gen. Conly, and Gen. Ullman was authorized to take measures to have these forces recruited from the plantations. A few skeleton negro regiments were disbanded, the men being put into the existing regiments. Quite a force of Federal troops is being concentrated on the Mississippi river, either in anticipation of movements by the Confederates or for offensive movements. The Confederates have a force of some 18,000 men, under Gens. Walker and Polignac, above Alexandria. Squads of Confederates continue to hover on the banks of the Mississippi to fire into passing steamboats.

The London Daily News has an editorial on American peace rumors, and contends that the north cannot submit to terms on which President Davis is prepared to treat for peace, and argues that unless Southern terms are lowered there can be nothing but war. The London Globe, reviewing the Persia's news, considers the prospects of peace or an armistice very remote, at present. The Times, speaking of the American Presidential election, says:—"It appears to us that if the democratic party make a fight for power they must do it substantially on principles of peace, and the events of the next few weeks will probably enable us to anticipate the result."

Queen Victoria, on the 30th ult., formally inaugurated the statue erected in memory of the late Prince Consort, at Perth. She was received with the greatest enthusiasm, and conferred the honor of Knighthood on the mayor of Perth.

John Van Buren is said to have expressed his determination to support General McClellan.

The New York World thus expresses what the "peace sentiment of the Democratic party" means:—"The pledge of the Chicago platform which Gen. McClellan accepted, of course when he accepted the nomination of the Chicago Convention, was that an earnest, frank, and fraternal effort should be made for peace—for peace if possible 'without the effusion of another drop of blood'—for the peace which every honest and intelligent man would hail with unbounded joy—for peace on the basis of the Union—the condition *sine qua non*."

The old citizens of Baltimore, are "passing away." On Saturday last Nicholas Smith, one of the defenders of Baltimore in 1814, died at his residence, at the advanced age of eighty-four years. Nathaniel Williams, one of the oldest and most highly respected lawyers of the city, died on Sunday last, in his eighty-third year. He had filled many important positions, the most prominent of which were those of U. S. District Attorney and State Senator. He was also one of the defenders of Baltimore in 1812. Yesterday Mr. James C. Adams, well known as an extensive pork packer, died at his residence, Howard county.

The Richmond Examiner of the 9th says:—"Grant has massed a great many troops on the railroad two miles south of Petersburg, and has, within the last ten days, pushed his left a quarter of a mile across to the west of the railroad. He will at an early day, make a grand burst for the Southside Railroad at some point near the town. This is to be his next grand movement."

The Chicago Times states that Hon. Alex. Long of Ohio "is opposed to factions, opposition to McClellan," and adds: "Since McClellan's letter of acceptance, hundreds of Republicans have declared their intention to vote for him."

The New York World makes the following emphatic announcement:—"We speak what we know when we say that there will be no defection from the ranks of the Democratic party worth considering—no 'bolt' worth counting."

A disturbance took place on Tuesday, in Norfolk, between some sailors and the negro guard doing duty on Main street. Two sailors and one guard were shot. One of the sailors died, the other lost a leg. The guard will die.

The New York Freeman's Journal urges the Peace party at the North to make a nomination for President of the U. S., and names Charles O'Connor and Thomas H. Seymour as acceptable.

There is some dissatisfaction expressed in Southern journals regarding Gen. Hood's conduct at Atlanta. Some wish him removed and Johnston recalled.

The Richmond Examiner states that Gen. Gillem's official report of the killing of Gen. Morgan was studiously false.

It is said that "the miasma of Virginia" has permanently effected the health of Gen. Martindale.

A severe hail storm occurred on the lower Potomac, last Sunday afternoon.

Gen. Martindale, of the Federal service, on account of ill health, has resigned.

The New York Times says of our country:—"There is not one thing under the sun that this Northern people needs so much as courage. We do not refer to our armies; they have plenty of it. We mean the millions who are here at home, looking on upon the war, and never for an instant coming within gun's range of it. We say, 'precisely, they lack courage.' Why? Because they don't go to the front? Not at all. They are not all wanted there. Their true place, speaking in general, is at home, just where they are. They lack courage, because they lack that which is the first element, firmness of spirit. Who dares deny this? Is not every man a witness that one month ago the majority of the people were chilled, benumbed, almost paralyzed with a fear that the war would never end? Does not every man see that the majority are now half intoxicated with the fancy that it will end within three months, probably, and six months sure? That is not firmness of spirit. It is just the opposite. We have no objection to undervaluing our recent successes. They are truly valuable; but not a whit more so than others which have occurred, and which yet did not end the war."

The cotton crop is said to be almost a failure in Louisiana from the ravages of the worm, which has made its appearance as high up as Vicksburg.

Brig. Gen. Lockwood has suppressed the publication of the Cambridge, Md., Democrat.

Rev. Dr. Potts, a venerable Presbyterian clergyman, died in New York yesterday.

MARRIED.

On the 25th of August, by the Rev. Mr. Speake, TOWNSEND BAGGETT, Esq. and Miss ELLEN ADAMS.

DIED.

At Alexandria, Va., September 9th, from a wound received at the Weldon Railroad, WILLIAM R. MOORE, a member of Company C, First Maryland Volunteers, aged 21 years.

In Baltimore, on the 7th instant, in the 24 year of her age, ROBERTO V., wife of Mr. Joseph R. Owens, of West River, Md., and daughter of Jno. W. Zimmerman of Baltimore.

LOST—At the Post Office, at 12 o'clock, a SMALL BLACK POCKET BOOK, containing two five dollar notes, and some small change, also some cards, address of F. DeBorde, 909 South 2d st., Philadelphia. A one plain gold ring. The finder will be well rewarded by leaving it at No. 104 Prince street. sep 15-27

REWARD.—Strayed from the subscriber's pen Sept. 11th a BLACK COY., with a white face and wide horns, with a leather strap on her neck. To any one who will return her or give any information by which I can get her, I will give the above reward. ISAAC WOOD, sep 14-1w 83 South Water Street.

REWARD.—Lost on Saturday evening \$20 in \$52, \$40 in Bank notes, one \$10 U. S. note, and \$2 on the Starke's Bank. BREMAN & WIGMAN, No. 27a, King st. cor. Fayette st. sep 12-3w

DWELLING HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.—A two story Frame Dwelling and Lot on Prince street, No. 201, between Alfred and Patrick streets. The lot fronts on Prince street, 20 feet, running back 100 feet to a wide alley. This is an excellent situated property and the house at some moderate expense might be made a comfortable dwelling, and is offered for sale on reasonable terms. Apply at No. 14 King street. sep 12-27

DWELLING HOUSE AND LOT FOR SALE.—A TWO STORY BRICK DWELLING AND LOT, on Gibbon, between Pitt and St. Asaph streets, is offered for sale on reasonable terms. The House contains six comfortable rooms, and kitchen. The lot fronts on Gibbon street, 31 feet, and extends back 70 feet to a 10 feet alley. Apply to S. D. Harper at No. 30 King street. sep 9-27