

The Alexandria Gazette

TUESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 25.

Yesterday morning Thos. S. Alexander, Esq., applied to the Superior Court of Baltimore, for a writ of mandamus to compel Governor Bradford to reject the soldiers' vote on the new Maryland Constitution, on the ground of illegality. The application was refused by Judge Martin, and an appeal was taken to the Court of Appeals. Mr. Alexander proceeded to Annapolis to ask the court to appoint an early day for a hearing of the case.

Bennett H. Young, who signs himself "Lieutenant Provisional Army, Confederate States of America," has written a letter acknowledging his connection with the St. Albans affair. He says he went to Vermont for the express object of burning towns in that State, in retaliation for Gen. Sheridan's destruction of property in the Shenandoah Valley. He claims that he has violated no law of Canada.

Lieut. B. B. Turner and D. H. McGuire, of the 1st Virginia Cavalry, Confederate army, were recently captured in Fauquier, and brought in here. They have been sent to Washington. J. A. Washington and Lewis Benedict, of Fauquier, have, also, been arrested.

Ship *Carolus Magnus*, at New York from London, reports on the 14th of September, in the mouth of the English Channel, spoke a bark which had spoken the Tallahassee the same day. On the 2d of October, saw, on the eastern edge of the Banks of Newfoundland, the deck of a ship which had been burned.

In order to insure to New York soldiers the right of voting by proxy at the coming election, the U. S. Postmaster General has issued an order directing the Postmasters generally to see that the envelopes containing the ballots are delivered with the utmost dispatch.

The draft was resumed in Washington yesterday to fill the deficiencies existing in the quotas of the various wards. Among the drafted, was the doorkeeper of the President's House, which makes the fourth attache of the mansion drafted within the last two months.

General Ricketts, who was among those wounded in the recent battle, is reported to be in a very low condition to day. The ball which entered his right breast and passed through the lungs was extracted this morning near the shoulder blade.

Darbytown, near Richmond, has, by order of Gen. Butler been depopulated. The inhabitants, principally women, were sent away.—The reason alleged is, that the Federal soldiers were fired upon by the Confederates in the houses.

Stringent arrangements have been made to prevent Confederates shipping in disguise on board steamers leaving New York for the purpose of seizing them when at sea, in the way the Chesapeake and Roanoke were taken.

It is stated that the merchants of New York are complaining of the backwardness of the

From Kentucky.

Kentucky is again overrun, not only with partizans but with more regularly organized bodies of Confederates, some of them being in considerable force. On Wednesday last, the town of Mayfield was captured. Four regiments of Confederates are reported to be at Centreville, in Hickman county. Another Confederate force, four hundred strong, was at Owensboro' on Friday last. On the same day Chenoweth's Confederates occupied Henderson. Parties of guerillas, numbering in the aggregate some two thousand men, are also said to be scattered along the Ohio River, between the mouth of Salt River and Evansville.

We have advices from England to the 14th instant, by the steamer *Belgian*. There is a better tone in the money market, and funds are firmer; but the heaviness in commercial circles continues. The frigate *Niagara* has arrived off Shoreham with a Spanish steamer, seized under suspicion of being a blockade runner. The ship *Southern Rights*, of Maine, was captured August 22, by the *Florida*, and released under bond.

Gen. Butler has issued the following order: "It having been officially certified by General Lee, commanding the Confederate forces, that the prisoners of war of this army, put to work in the trenches, near Fort Gilmer, have been withdrawn to be treated as prisoners of war, it is ordered that the prisoners of war of the Confederate forces set at work in the canal at Dutch Gap, in retaliation, shall be at once withdrawn, and sent to Point Lookout, to be held and treated hereafter as prisoners of war."

The following is reported by Captain Harrison, U. S. A. as a schedule of property and prisoners captured by the Second Brigade in the battle near Strasburg, Va., October 19. 23 pieces of artillery, 8 caissons, 30 ambulances, 29 army wagons, 117 horses, 143 mules, 2 stands of colors, 1 guidon, 353 prisoners and a large number of small arms.

The soldier who was found murdered in Washington, near Pennsylvania avenue, on Friday, has been recognized, and proves to be Patrick Maloney, of the 14th Massachusetts heavy artillery, stationed at Branch Hospital.

The Hagerstown Mail says:—"There are daily passing through our county large numbers of homeless refugees from the Shenandoah valley. They comprise both old and young, male and female. Their property burned, and not having sufficient to sustain life, they are seeking more favored regions."

The steamer *Jason*, from Bermuda, reports that Lieut. Braine, who captured the steamer *Roanoke*, had been arrested, together with his associates, by the British authorities, and was on trial when the steamer left.

The Richmond Examiner of the 19th says, the negro prisoners put into fortifications have been returned to prison, and express the hope that Butler will relieve the Confederate officers placed under fire at Dutch Gap. He has done

The Louisville papers say that the late Federal expedition up the Tennessee river was entirely mismanaged, and that many were killed and wounded in the defeat.

The Louisville Journal of Friday says:—"It is said that when the guerillas made an attack on the train on the Lexington Railroad, on Tuesday, Hon. Montgomery Blair, who was a passenger, took a child from its mother's arms, stepped from the cars with the bright cheer, pressed to his bosom, claimed to be the father of the rosy checked darling, was very tender and solicitous in regard to its welfare, and played his part so well that the guerillas passed him by—the ex member of the Cabinet thus escaping capture."

The Richmond Enquirer says: "It is intimated that no more flag-of-truce exchange of prisoners will be made in the James; that the enemy intend occupying the whole length of the river from City Point up as far as they can penetrate, planting the river with torpedoes to prevent the Confederate fleet of ironclads from going down. Savannah, Georgia, is spoken of as the point of exchange."

The case of Johnson & Sutton, in Washington before a military commission, is still going on. The case of Wm. Washington, for having in his possession government property was concluded yesterday. Peter North was put on trial for aiding soldiers to desert. Samuel Smoot and S. W. Krebs, U. S. Government detectives and scouts principal witnesses.

The Petersburg Express says that many of the new and improved muskets and rifles recently furnished to Gen. Grant's army, have been captured and placed in the hands of the Confederates. They are said to be very superior weapons.

In Gen. Butler's General Order, dated Oct. 11, he praises the negro troops under his command in the highest terms, and says that in a short time "to command colored troops will be a part of honor."

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