

The Alexandria Gazette

THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 14.

It is reported from Washington that the Army of the Potomac is actively preparing for the new campaign. Brigadier General Torbett has been assigned to the command of the First division cavalry corps, and General Wilson is to relieve General Gregg in command of the Second division of cavalry. All mounted orderlies on duty, at brigade and division headquarters, have been sent back to their respective regiments. It is rumored in the Army of the Potomac that Gen. Lee has issued orders directing his officers to send all their spare baggage to Richmond before Saturday last, as after that date the railroad would be used exclusively in bringing up reinforcements for the army. Scouts report that Longstreet, with the greater part of his army, has reached Richmond.

The Washington Star asserts that the report of the Committee on the War, of the U. S. Senate, upon the Florida expedition, contradicts the charge that President Lincoln authorized the expedition for political purposes. It says that it originated with Gen. Gillmore, who had the sole direction of the affair. Mr. Lincoln, it says "after the military expedition had been decided upon by General Gillmore, sent out an agent with authority to reorganize civil government in the State; but in his directions disclaimed any purpose of interfering with the plan or direction of the expedition." The developments in regard to the expedition, it is further said, have caused General Gillmore's nomination for major general, to be "hung up," and it is added that the Senate will not confirm his appointment.

The New York Times' letter from New Orleans on the 2d inst., reports that the Confederate steamer Clifton, formerly a U. S. gunboat of that name, while attempting to run the blockade of Sabine Pass, on the night of the 21st March, with over 700 bales of cotton, got aground on the bar; and the Confederates burned her, to prevent her falling into the hands of the Federals.

Great complaints at the North are made about the price of fresh beef, and the enormous increase in the price of butter. Much of the extortion produced is said to be caused by speculators, and others engaged in enhancing the cost of provisions for the sake of large profits to themselves.

The Holland bark Walcheren, from Batavia, arrived at New York yesterday, bringing as passengers Capt. Cumming and lady, late of the ship Winged Racer, Capt. F. G. Lucas, of the Contest, and Capt. J. Larrabee, of the bark Amanda—all burned by the Alabama.

A dispatch from Nashville says that East Tennessee has been completely evacuated by the Confederates, and that they have destroyed all the bridges in their retreat. It also adds that Johnston's army is being reinforced by Beauregard's and Polk's troops. The bulk of Johnston's army is at Tunnel Hill.

The bill to remove the seat of government of Pennsylvania from Harrisburg to Philadelphia, has passed the Senate of that State.

It is reported that a detachment of Federal cavalry went to Middleburg, Va., Sunday night, and succeeded in capturing nine of Moseby's men. On Monday night six Federal soldiers were captured and a captain in the 2d Pennsylvania regiment killed near the Bull Run battle field by guerrillas.

The proposition to expel Mr. Long, of Ohio, from his seat in the U. S. Congress, for the expression of alleged disloyal sentiments, is opposed by many of the leading republican journals. The New York Post opposes the resolution out and out, and wonders that a person usually so sagacious and discreet as Mr. Colfax could be caught in such a trap.

The "Convention" which has been sitting in this place, adjourned last Monday. Previous to the adjournment they passed resolutions in favor of "a Homestead Exemption Law," of "the re-election of President Lincoln," and of "confidence in Secretary Chase."

The new Fremont paper, started in Washington, the "New Era," believes in the "absolute equality before the law of all men, without regard to race or color;" insists that there are no such States "as South Carolina and Georgia and Mississippi now in the American Union;" and announces itself finally and specially in favor of "the Jacksonian principle of confining our Presidents to a single term of office."

Theodore Mills, son of Clark Mills, has received the annual prize of the Munich Royal Academy, for the best sketch in clay—Penelope presenting the bow of Ulysses to the suitors. He has been a student in Munich for several years, and had about thirty competitors for this, the highest prize awarded by the academy.

The London Times' city article says: "The Denbigh, from Mobile, reported to have been captured by the Federal blockading squadron, is announced to have arrived safely, with a cargo of cotton, at Havana. This cotton was shipped in payment of a proportionate amount of Confederate bonds, which will be cancelled."

The Emperor Alexander has issued an ukase which enables Russian ladies to contract marriages with foreigners without his previous consent, and to retain the ownership of their lands after such marriages. The naturalization of foreigners as Russian subjects, is likewise to be somewhat facilitated.

The Washington Chronicle says:—"The flooding of the country with paper money must cease, else it will continue to raise prices and sweep away values in a financial deluge."

J. W. Boucher, of Georgetown, D. C., has been tried by the Military Commission, of which Gen. Doubleday is president, upon the charge of "violating the laws of war, by assisting persons to cross into the enemy's lines," and sentenced to be confined in Fort Delaware for the term of one year.

At the late Trenton City election, F. S. Mills, democrat, was elected Mayor by 250 majority. The whole democratic city ticket was elected by an average majority of over 300.

John Hover, of Washington, has obtained a contract to furnish the U. S. government 10,000 lbs. of fresh beef, at 12 and 9-10th cents per lb.

Hazwell Magruder, of Prince George's county, Md., has been sentenced by a Military Commission to one year's imprisonment in Fort Lafayette, for harboring Confederates.

THE PRICE OF GOLD.

Gold, in New York, yesterday, advanced to 179. Exchange on London, 193@194. A despatch from Baltimore, at noon, to-day, quotes gold at 187.

The residence of Dr. Orlando Fairfax at the N. E. corner of Cameron and St. Asaph streets, was sold this morning, by the U. S. Marshal, under the U. S. Confiscation act, to Lewis McKinzie, for Gouverneur Morris of New York for \$4,100, and nearly all the furniture of value in the house was bought by the same for the same for about \$1,500.

The advance in the price of gold has affected various other departments of trade and commerce. In Baltimore yesterday, flour advanced 12@25c. per bbl., wheat 5@8c. per bushel; corn 1c. per bushel; pork \$1 a barrel, whiskey 7c. a gallon and other articles in proportion. The New York Express says that the advance in gold has affected all branches of business in that city; under it the prices of meat in the city markets have advanced to 25 to 28 cts. a pound.

A Federal scouting party was surprised on Thursday last, some fifty miles below New Madrid. A Lieutenant and Sergeant of the party were killed, and nine others wounded, four of them badly. All who could escape ran to the river, and hailing the steamer Badling, got on board and returned to New Madrid.

The flags on the public buildings in New York were displayed on Tuesday in honor of Henry Clay's birth-day, and again yesterday in honor of Jefferson's birth-day.

About half past twelve o'clock on Tuesday night a collision occurred off No Point between a United States steamer; supposed to be the Iroquois, and the steamer Georgeanna, of the Norfolk line, in which the latter was badly damaged.

Lieut. Gen. Grant returned to Washington yesterday from a visit to Annapolis.

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